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ATTACK ON RED TAPE TO BOOST JOBS

Easier planning for businesses

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

AN ATTEMPT to help create jobs by removing red tape and some planning restrictions was announced yesterday by Lord Young, the Minister with the task of trying to stimulate enterprise.

His programme includes the setting up of a task force "with real teeth" within the Cabinet Office to examine regulations and laws to see if they are needed.

Among Lord Young's 80 suggestions is the introduction of "simplified planning zones" in which it would be easier for businessmen to build.

Lord Young, a former chairman of the Manpower Services Commission, who was brought into the Cabinet by the Prime Minister last September, published the plans in a White Paper entitled "Lifting the Burden."

He also said in a statement in the Lords that a "central task force" was being set up within the enterprise unit in the Cabinet Office "to assist departments in their consideration of how the burden on business of regulations can be minimised."

Small and medium-sized firms are seen as requiring particular encouragement.

Tourist industry next on list

Although Lord Young and other ministers would not commit themselves to forecasts on how many jobs would be created, the hope is that the measures will help to have unemployment coming down by the time of the General Election, which is up to two-and-a-half years away.

Lord Young was given a Cabinet post by Mrs Thatcher because she believed that he could come up with ideas for the growth of enterprise and the creation of jobs as in the American business system which she admires greatly.

Lord Young is expected to produce similar plans soon for stimulating the tourist industry and creating more jobs there.

His announcement yesterday was widely welcomed by Conservative MPs but criticised as inadequate by Opposition spokesmen.

Lord Young said in his statement: "One of the major objectives of this Government is to make sure that the right conditions exist for enterprise to flourish. This is essential for the creation of jobs and wealth.

"The country needs more jobs and we need more wealth to pay for all the socially desirable things we expect to be provided—such as pensions, the health service and education.

"For too long, successive governments—albeit with good intentions—have tended to stifle much-needed enterprise with restriction and regulation."

He recalled that in March of this year Mr Tebbit, Trade and Industry Secretary, had published a report entitled "Burdens on Business." That showed that government requirements did constitute a major drain on business—particularly small business—in terms of direct cost and of management time.

"Lifting the Burden" was the result of the Government's considerations of the recommendations in that report and of looking more widely at the scope for change. It also reflected the widespread representations on the report which the Government had received.

Lord Young added: "The White Paper is the first major step in a continuing programme of removing unnecessary regulations.

"I should emphasise that we are not seeking to remove all regulations. Essential protection for workers, consumers and the general public must be maintained, and we must protect our quality of life."

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The main proposals

HOME DEPARTMENTS: Abolition of restrictions on shop hours.

Relaxing opening hours of licensed premises.

ENVIRONMENT: Introduction of simplified planning zones.

Easing of planning restrictions on businesses.

Review of restrictions and definition of statutory nuisance.

Introduction of simplified building regulations.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE: Negotiations with EEC for increased flexibility on VAT thresholds.

Extending option of monthly VAT payments.

Improvement of operation of VAT scheme to reduce form filling by retail businesses.

TAXATION AND NATIONAL INSURANCE: Clarification of definition of self employment.

Co-ordination of DHSS inspectors and Inland Revenue auditors to avoid duplicate visits.

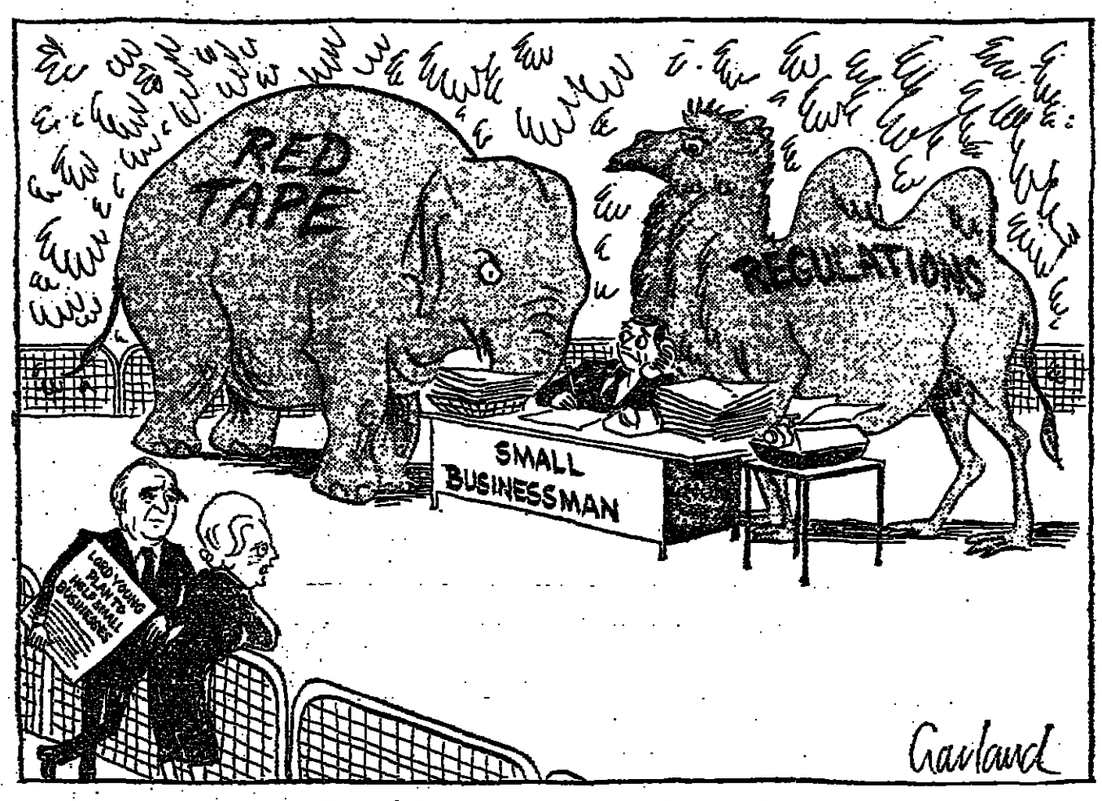
Changing DHSS practices to cut down inquiries to employers about national insurance contributions.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY: Consultations of allowing employers to opt out of Statutory Sick Pay Scheme.

EMPLOYMENT: Extend period for unfair dismissal claims to all businesses.

Abolition of restrictions on women's working hours.

Considering future of Wages Councils.



Urban Man goes on show at London Zoo

TIGHTER AIRPORT CHECKS

By Air Cdre G. S. Cooper Air Correspondent

ALL AIRLINE passenger baggage will have to be checked in at approved airport reception points under new security measures announced in the Commons yesterday by Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary.

This means that tour firms will be banned from collecting baggage in bulk from hotels to save passengers from having to check in their luggage individually at the airport.

But travellers using the London terminal at Victoria will continue to be allowed to check their baggage in there for flights with British Caledonian and eight other airlines.

The new measures include tightening security checks at boarding entry points and perimeter gates, but does nothing to check baggage in aircraft holds.

Such baggage becomes suspect only if a passenger fails to turn up for his seat after checking in some luggage.

The new measures were criticised as totaly inadequat by Mr Frederick Darey, a former security manager of the British Airports Authority and chief security executive of Northern Ireland Airports. "It's time to stop playing at this," he said, "before the next tragedy hits us."

Mr Darey, now an independent security consultant, called for more professional training of security guards, statutory controls over their qualifications, restricting airport terminal access to passengers and airport staff only as in Northern Ireland, checking all diplomatic baggage and sealing luggage after it has been checked.

PRINCE MICHAEL RETURNS ALONE

Prince Michael of Kent flew back to Britain yesterday, leaving his wife on holiday in the Mediterranean following publicity about her alleged friendship with a Texas oil tycoon.

A Kensington Palace spokesman said the Prince had returned to fulfill three long-standing engagements, which the Princess was also to have attended but she would be staying abroad "a little bit longer."

THATCHER TO MEET REAGAN

By Our Political Staff

The Prime Minister is expected to meet President Reagan in Washington next week whether or not he is in hospital.

She will be in Washington on Thursday and Friday to attend the International Democratic Union Conference, a political grouping of centre-right politics.

NOBEL AUTHOR DIES

By Our Bonn Correspondent

Heinrich Böll, West Germany's best known novelist and the first German to win the Nobel Prize for Literature since Thomas Mann in 1929, died yesterday in Cologne, aged 67.

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Queen Mother, 84, exhausts aides

By TONY ALLEN-MILLS in Regina, Saskatchewan

QUEEN ELIZABETH the Queen Mother yesterday embarked on one of the most extraordinary days of her long and colourful life as a touring member of the Royal Family.

Three weeks short of her 85th birthday, the Queen Mother undertook a punishing journey across the Canadian prairies that left aides and equerries crumpled with fatigue.

Her hectic itinerary called for two long air journeys taking five hours in total; she visited three Canadian provincial capitals, 1,700 miles apart; she greeted ten separate groups of local dignitaries; she was on duty continuously from 10 in the morning until 8 at night.

It was an astonishing display of vigour and dedication by an 84-year-old woman who, according to local officials, is already making plans to return to Canada in autumn, 1986.

Prize presentation

The Queen Mother's day began with a morning departure from Toronto airport en route to Regina, the capital of Saskatchewan.

After a tour of the Saskatchewan provincial assembly, and lunch with the Lieutenant-Governor, it was back to the airport for another formal departure ceremony and a two-hour flight to Edmonton. In the Alberta capital yet another receiving line awaited the Queen Mother's arrival.

Although she had by then been travelling for almost nine hours, the Queen Mother still had work to do, and she was whisked away to a local hotel to present a prize to the winner of a newspaper essay contest.

The final engagement on a day that exhausted her aides and awed her Canadian hosts, was a reception for the Alberta Press.

After more than ten hours "on the road" she eventually retired to the private Edmonton home of a local businessman for a well-deserved rest.

CRAM SETS WORLD RECORD

By Our Sports Staff

STEVE CRAM extended Britain's domination of middle distance running last night when he broke Steve Ovett's two-year-old 1500 metres world record in Nice.

Cram, from Gateshead became the first athlete to go under 3 min 30 sec for the distance when he ran 3.29.67, lopping 1.10 sec off the time Ovett set in Italy in 1985.

At the Nikaia Games last night Cram beat Said Aouita, the Olympic 5,000 metres champion, by inches. The Moroccan was also inside Ovett's 3 min 30.7 record, with a time of 3.29.71.

Ken Mays—P.

Best for jobs

Today's DAILY TELEGRAPH carries over six pages of jobs with companies as diverse as Bechtel, British Gas, Press Association, Trafalgar House, Thorn EMI, Bovis, SAAB, Baker Perkins, Racal and the Electricity Council—jobs based throughout Britain and in such such varied countries as Sudan, New Zealand, Nigeria, Oman and Saudi Arabia.

'NO EVIDENCE OF BLAST' FROM 747 TAPE

A preliminary run of the cockpit voice recorder from the Air India 747 that crashed into the Atlantic produced no evidence of an explosion, it was reported yesterday.

An official member of the inquiry into the crash on June 23, killing all 329 people aboad, said no conclusion could be drawn, though quality of recording and conversation was good.

Two separate groups, the inquiry team and foreign observers, are studying the recording at Bhabha atomic research centre. The recording will have to be played repeatedly before any conclusions can be made, an official said.

58 GLUE DEATHS

By Our Political Staff

There were 58 deaths from glue sniffing last year of young people aged 12 to 21, compared with 12 in 1979, Mr Patten, Junior Health Minister, said last night.

RUSSIANS SAIL FOR ATLANTIC

By DESMOND WETTERN Naval Correspondent in Flensburg, West Germany

THE Russians are preparing for a huge anti-submarine warfare exercise in the Atlantic to the West of Ireland in the next few days, involving nuclear and other submarines, and including cruise missile-armed Victor class boats, as well as large numbers of surface warships from three of their fleets.

According to senior officers at the West German Fleet Headquarters at Flensburg in Schleswig-Holstein, five Russian submarines, including a Juliet class missile boat, and a similar number of surface warships began departing from their Baltic bases five days ago.

Yesterday they were in the Skaggerak between Denmark and Norway before entering the North Sea to join other submarines and surface ships from the Soviet Northern and Mediterranean fleets.

More to come

"We believe these ships and submarines are only the first and more will be joining them shortly," a senior West German staff officer said.

The Soviet aircraft carrier Kiev passed through the Mediterranean only a month ago after a two-year refit at a Black Sea base to rejoin the Northern Fleet.

This ship carrying at least 16 anti-submarine helicopters would obviously have a key role to play in an anti-submarine exercise.

GANDHI MAY VISIT BRITAIN

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Preliminary discussions have taken place between Britain and India on a visit to London in October by Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister.

The visit would mark a return to normal friendly relations following a period of strain caused by the activities of Sikh extremists in Britain and the postponement of British ministerial visits to India.

0.9pc INFLATION

By Our Geneva Correspondent

Unemployment in Switzerland dropped below 1 per cent.— to 0·9 per cent.—last month for the first time since 1983. The jobless total was 27,454, a decrease of 2,600.

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Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Troughs will cross most parts as depression becomes slow moving W. of Scotland.

LONDON, S.E. ENGLAND, E. ANGLIA: Dry and bright, evening rain. Wind S.W., moderate or fresh. Max. 75F (24C).

MIDLANDS, CEN. S., S.W. ENGLAND, CHANNEL IS.: Dry, bright at first, rain in afternoon and evening. Wind S.W., moderate or fresh. 70F (21C).

E., N. ENGLAND, WALES, N. IRELAND, S. SCOTLAND: Rain at times. Wind S.W., fresh or strong, gales near exposed coasts. 61F (16C).

S. NORTH SEA, STRAIT OF DOVER: Wind S.W. force 4 becoming 6-7. Sea slight becoming rough.

ENG. CH. (E.): S.W. 5 becoming 6-7. Moderate becoming very rough.

ST. GEORGE'S CH., IRISH SEA: S.W. backing S. for time, 6-7 to gale 8. Very rough.

OUTLOOK: Unsettled.

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HUMIDITY FORECAST

	Today Noon	Today 6 p.m.	Tomorrow 6 a.m.
London	50 (65)	50 (45)	95 (85)
Birmingham	65 (65)	85 (55)	95 (100)
Manchester	95 (70)	80 (60)	90 (100)
Newcastle	95 (65)	80 (60)	95 (95)

Yesterday's figures in brackets.

POLLEN FORECAST

The pollen count for London and the South East, issued yesterday by the Asthma Research Council, was 27, which is low. The outlook is similar.

Reagan cheered by 'normal life span' forecast

By FRANK TAYLOR in Washington

PRESIDENT REAGAN was reported yesterday to be in excellent spirits and to be continuing to make a speedy recovery from the operation in which surgeons removed a malignant tumour from his colon.

There was no suggestion that he had become depressed by the news that the growth was cancerous. Instead, he was said to have been cheered by the medical assessment that all of the cancer had been removed, and that there was a more than 50 per cent. chance that he would live out his normal lifespan.

Specialists in Washington said that Mr Reagan's generally optimistic attitude towards life, combined with his strong sense of humour, could help in such a situation.

"If anyone would survive, it would be Reagan," said Dr Thomas Polk, a Washington psychiatrist who specialises in working with cancer patients. People who had trouble fighting cancer were usually the ones who were repressed and who tended to blame themselves when things went wrong.

Mr Reagan was outgoing, not inclined to blame himself and was not likely to give up easily.

Other psychiatrists and psychologists concurred, saying that Mr Reagan's way of looking at the positive while "selectively ignoring the negative" was important.

But no one in Washington is ignoring the fact that Mr Reagan faces a more than 40 per cent chance that the cancer will appear again in his body.

This has cast something of a cloud over a presidency whose trademark had been one of sunny optimism from the start of Mr Reagan's first term in 1981.

In the short term, he is likely to benefit from a wave

Man at the wheel—P4

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SYMPATHY FROM GORBACHEV

By Our Washington Staff

Mr Reagan yesterday received a message "sympathetic in tone" from Mr Gorbachev, the Soviet leader. The two are to meet for summit talks in Geneva in November.

Another sympathetic message came from Senor Ortega, the President of Nicaragua, whom Mr Reagan has accused of spearheading Communist subversion in Central America.

CURRENCY MARKETS KEEP CALM

By CLIFFORD GERMAN Financial Correspondent

CURRENCY markets shrugged off the results of President Reagan's operation as lightly as the President himself yesterday.

Trading was rather quiet and when London market closed, the pound had lost most of its initial gains against the dollar to end the day just 1/8 cent better on balance at $1·3875.

Sterling also gained a little ground against the mark, closing at 4·00½ marks in London, but the pound's trade weighted average value closed 0·1 lower at 83·1 after touching 83·3.

British interest rates still make the pound an attractive investment for international investors, but continuing talk of a possible further cut in base lending rates next week has made them slightly cautious.

The FINANCIAL TIMES index closed 8·5 down on the day at 928·7.

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OUTPUT IS BEST FOR SIX YEARS

By Our Economics Correspondent

The continuing pick-up in coal production since the miners' strike helped to boost industrial output on May by 1 per cent. to reach its highest level for six years.

But manufacturing production appears to have stagnated since the middle of last year; falling in May for the second month running by 0·2 per cent.

The latest figures are likely to reinforce calls by the Confederation of British Industry for further cuts in interest rates.

City Report—P21

BBC to axe staff in £65m economies

By ROBIN STRINGER TV and Radio Correspondent

THE BBC is expected to unveil its cost-saving plans, including a reduction in permanent staffing levels and an element of privatisation, to the broadcasting unions today following their approval by the BBC governors at the weekend.

A clear indication of where economies will be made came in a speech to the Royal Television Society in London last night by the BBC's newly-appointed deputy director-general, Mr Michael Checkland, who is an accountant by training.

Stressing the need above all for good programmes, he went on: "If to get them and more money on the screen or on the air, the BBC has t sacrifice some of its traditional in-house support services, or to re-examine its engineering and servicing standards, or to reduce its permanent staffing levels, few could argue that such a policy was not in the interest of the audience."

The corporation has said it would need to save £65 million over the next three years to maintain services following the Home Office decision in March to grant a £58 million colour television licence fee instead of the requested £65 fee.

Other areas of saving besides the staffing cuts and the engineering economies could lie in delaying the capital costs of new buildings proposed in Bristol and Edinburgh, postponing BBC Television plans for more daytime programming, abandoning plans to increase the number of local radio stations from 29 to 39 and cutting back movies going to regional television.

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BLUEPRINT FOR CREATING JOBS AND WEALTH

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

A WHITE PAPER published yesterday lists 80 measures by which the Government aims to ease the load on businesses, so as "to promote enterprise, create jobs and generate wealth".

"The Government wants to stem the flow of regulations," says the Paper, entitled "Lifting The Burdens," which announces the setting up of a "task force" to decide which regulations are really needed.

It sees the present mass of red tape as "a brake on enterprise and wealth creation."

The White Paper points out that the number of jobs is increasing with the labour force growing by more than 600,000 since Spring 1983; the number of new businesses between 1980 and 1984 exceeded those closing down by 140,000; and the number of self-employed, at two and a half million, is the highest for 60 years.

However, there is a need to free markets and to increase the opportunities for competition, as well as lifting administrative and legislative burdens.

V A T threshold

The Government's programme includes: Customs and Excise. The Government is negotiating with the Common Market Commission to raise the £19,500-a-year threshold above which businesses must be registered for value added tax.

A pilot scheme, to be started in the next six months, will see whether the option for traders to make monthly V A T payments can be extended. Improvements are also planned to reduce V A T form filling by retailers and to speed up V A T paperwork on imports.

Income Tax and Social Security: A leaflet is to be published to clarify the criteria for deciding whether a person is employed or self-employed, to end conflicting judgments by the Inland Revenue and Department of Health and Social Security.

There will be closer liaison between the two departments, to reduce unnecessary visits by two sets of inspectors. D H S S practices will be changes to reduce the number of inquiries to employers about National Insurance contributions.

Health and Social Security: Consultations will start soon on the possibility of allowing employers to opt out of the statutory sick pay scheme, provided they pay sick employees at least as much as the official rate.

Injuries Scheme

Administration of the Industrial Injuries Scheme will be simplified by relieving employers of 200,000 inquiries a year from the D H S S.

The department is to review all the tasks it asks or requires employers to perform, including those affected by the recent social security reviews to identify scope for further de-regulation.

Employment: Further relaxation of employment protection provisions are planned, including the extension of the qualifying period for unfair dismissal to two years for all businesses.

One of the Hetalth and Safety Commissioners will be designated to represent small firm interests in assessing regulations as part of a series of changes to reduce burdens on firms without reducing standards.

The treshold of the requirement on employers to prepare a written safety policy will be raised from five to 20 employees.

It will be made clearer to employers that they have a right to question inspectors' decisions. Inspectors' will be trained to increase their awareness of smaller firms' interests.

Women's hours

Restrictions on women's *working hours will be abolished*, while a review about the future of Wages Councils is already under way.

Company Law: A single requirement will replace the existing variety governing the filing of returns and accounts. Consultations will be held on the accounting and audit needs for small firms.

Consumer Law: The Price Marking (Bargain Offer) Order will be repealed and replaced by a new general prohibition on false or misleading price information, supported by a statutory code of practice.

A new general duty on product safety will be introduced, judging goods by sound modern standards of safety and then divdual regulations.

Transport: The scope for reducin gthe burden of regulations on the merchant shipping industry will be considered.

Agriculture: Discussion will be held with the soft drinks industry about simplifying existing complex regulations.

Home Office: Legislation, already announced, will be introduced to abolish restrictions on shop hours while consideration is being given to relaxing the opening hours of licensed premises.

Consultations will start on a new system of control to replace the certification requirements of the 1971 Firfe Precautions Act. Greater responsibility will be placed on owners and occupiers to meet safety standards.

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FERRY SAILINGS DISRUPTED

By Our Shipping Correspondent

Townsend Thoresen car ferry sailings were severely disrupted for a time yesterday, with none to Calais and crossings to Boulogne halved, as seamen went on strike in support of shore-based staff who are in a dispute about pay.

Later in the day services gradually reverted to normal after the shore workers were promised more talks. Agreement has been reached to change three 56-hour shifts to four 42-hour shifts, but pay levels are still unresolved.

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'PLANNING ZONES' SHORTCUT

By JOHN GRIGSBY, Local Government Correspondent

THE Government intends to bring in "simplified planning zones" to free businessmen from much of the red tape of town and country planning.

The system will enable local councils to specify the types of development, for example industrial, commercial or housing, which will be allowed in a particular area.

The developer will then be able to go ahead without the need for planning permission—and the associated fees—as long as he abides by restrictions laid down by the council on such things as the height of buildings and environmental conditions.

It hopes its proposals, set out in the White Paper "Lifting The Burden", can be introduced in the next session of Parliament.

Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, and Lord Young, Minister without portfolio, argue that the system has proved successful in Enterprise Zones and could be a real stimulus to the redevelopment of unused land and buildings.

If the legislation goes through, councils will be under a legal duty to consider proposals for the zones submitted by private developers, and the Government Ministers involved will be able to direct councils to designate a zone if they refused.

Zones are likely to be roughly the same size as the Enterprise Zones.

Drive for jobs

Mr Jenkin said that nothing in the proposals undermined *the Government's pledge to protect the environment*. They would not damage Green Belts, conservation areas, or the Government's policies for protecting historic buildings and good agricultural land.

Mr Jenkin said that, while the Government must not allow the planning system to stifle the drive for new jobs, it had no intention of dismantling it.

"The Government is concerned, however, at the costs *that the system can impose on* the economy and the constraints on enterprise which are not always justified by any real public benefit in the individual case."

The Government wanted to simplify the planning system and improve its efficiency, making sure it was effective where careful control was warranted.

It intended to avoid unnecessary complexity and delay in the way the regulations operated and to strike the right balance between the needs of development and the interests of conservation.

The Government also intended to introduce changes in the General Development Orders for England, Wales and Scotland to enable specified types of development to take place without the need to *apply for planning permission*.

These would include measures to allow owners to extend an industrial building or warehouse by up to 25 per cent. of its cubic content, with an upper limit of nearly 11,000 square feet. The present limit on factory extensions is 20 per cent.

There would also be permission for the installation of satellite broadcasting aerials of up to 22·86 inches in diameter on houses: and development rights for some exploratory operations for mineral workings.

The Use Classes Order, which enables land and bildings to be used for various purposes without the need for planning permission, is being reviewed for the first time since it was introduced in 1948.

'High tech' firms

The Government says the review needs to take account of the needs of typical "high tech" firms where manfacturing, offices, research and development, warehousing and other activities may be carried out in a single building.

The Government will also consider extending the right of people to carry ot their professions and bsinesses at home.

A joint circlar from the Department of the Environment and the Welsh Office reminds councils that there is "always a presumption in favour of allowing applications for development, having regard to all material considerations, unless that development would cause demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance."

The planning system must *respond positively and promptly* to proposals for development, it says.

Mr John Moore, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, rejected the accusation that the measures would not help to create jobs. They were a serious attempt to help to overcome many of the difficulties faced by business, he said.

He stressed that there was no intention to downgrade health and safety standards.

'BIGGEST EVER' RECORD STORE

By Our T V and Radio Correspondent

H M V is planning to open by next Christmas the biggest record store in the world at a cost of £2 million with the claim that every record available will be *in stock*. The store, which will replace 52 shop units in Oxford Walk, in London's West End, will occupy 50,000 sq ft.

It will be more than 10,000 sq ft. bigger than Tower record store, said to be considering opening in London. H M V is opening five more stores including one in Edinburgh, Liverpool and Nottingham.

Prince Michael of Kent arriving at Heathrow last night when he interrupted a Mediterranean holiday with his wife and came home alone to carry out long-standing engagements.

Russia puts temporary halt on whaling

THE Soviet Unoin said yesterday that it would temporarily cease commercial whaling in the Antarctic.

The announcement came during the annual meeting of the 40-nation International Whaling Commission in Bournemouth, which went into closed session yesterday to discuss the world's whale stocks.

The commission has fixed an international moratorium on commercial whaling from November this year, but five nations have objected—one of them the Soviet Union.

Yesterday, however, the Russian commissioner to the meeting, Dr I. V. Nikonorov, issued a statement saying: "The Soviet Union plans a temporary stop in Antarctic commercial whaling from the 1987-88 season due to technical reasons. Until then whaling will be conducted in accordance with the scientific committee recommendations."

This will bring Russia into line with Janan, which in April this year reluctantly agreed to stop commercial whaling from 1988 after coming under pressure from the United States.

'Rational basis'

The Russian statement added: "At present most members of the IWC have stopped or intend to stop commercial whaling. This creates a new situation in the commission.

"Our main task is to provide for recovery of depleted stocks. Only such mode of activities gives us grounds to expect that it will be possible to recommence exploitation of whale stocks on a rational basis."

The environmental protection group Greenpeace welcomed Russia's move, but Dr Wolfgang Fischer, a marine biologist and wildlife co-ordinator for Greenpeace, said: "The ban takes effect too late. We would prefer to see Russia abide by this November's deadline.

"Although the Russian statement talks of a temporary ban, I believe they will never recommence whaling. Talking of a temporary ban is just their way of trying not to lose face. "Their whaling fleet is very old and would cost too much to start up again after a lay-off."

£6,000 PARKING BILL SCRAPPED

Mr Neville Martin, 57, of Lutterworth, Leics., incurred a £6,000 airport parking bill at East Midlands Airport after buying an old Vulcan bomber, part of the City of Lincoln Squadron, to save it from the scrap heap.

But the airport has written off the debt now that Leicestershire County Council's museum service has bought the plane to add to its collection of historic aircraft at the airport.

COLLAPSED FIRM CHIEF BACK AGAIN

THE man behind a shower blind firm which is going into liquidation just three years after another company controlled by him failed, is already back in business, a creditors' meeting was told in London yesterday.

Mr IAN RYDEN, Assistant Official Receiver said that Rollaway Shower Blinds had an estimated deficiency to creditors of £426,949. About £65,000 of that was owed to 1,400 people who had answered advertisements in Sunday colour supplements.

Some who paid by credit card had been charged twice, but Mr ALAN WARD, managing director, says the mistakes were caused by overstrained office administration.

The crash follows a 1982 failure of Matador Shower Systems of which Mr Ward was also a director. Creditors lost £252,000 in that liquidation.

Same address

The meeting yesterday was told that Mr Ward is now trading with a company called Rollway (U K) from The Green, Letchmore Heath, Herts, where Rollaway was also based.

Mr Ryder said that according to Mr Ward, Rollaway, whose trading was highlighted in a "That's Life" programme on B B C Television, ran into major administrative and production problems.

Customers became dissatisfied by delays and demands for refunds poured in. There were also problems with waterproofing and the fungicide treatment of the curtains.

Creditors decided to leave the liquidation in the hands of the Official Receiver.

HIPPY INVASION COST £811,239

Wiltshire finance committee is to appeal to Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, not to penalise the council for over spending £751,300 on policing the hippy invasion for the cancelled Stonehenge pop festival. The total cost is put at £811,259.

Mr Alan Gould, county treasurer, said that while the Home Office would fund £575,700 by grant, if Government overspending penalties were imposed the cost to ratepayers would be £1,112,100.

5 pc training budget urged on employers

EMPLOYERS should set aside "at least" five per cent. of their pay bill for training and updating the skills of their workforce, Mr King Employment Secretary, told a conference on unemployment yesterday.

He said chambers of trade and commerce could also act as matchmakers to help firms with full order books to subcontract to areas of high unemployment and excess capacity.

Mr King, addressing the Confederation of British Industry conference in London added that "the writing would be on the wall" if firms failed *to appreciate the need for* skilled training.

He said: "We will find increasingly that we won't be able to maintain our position against our competitors overseas. I am struck by the urgency of this."

Mr King said recent figures showed 12 per cent. of companies faced a skill shortage. Areas of prosperity and full order books such as the south-east were offset by areas of high unemployment and a skill surplus.

Referring to the "get on your bike" approach suggested by the Industry Secretary, Mr Tebbit, he urged firms to provide assistance with removal expenses and training.

Mr King said a third way firms could help combat unemployment was by giving jobless recruits specific training at local skill centres or colleges.

Flexibility urged

Sir Terence Beckett, C B I director general, told the conference that Britain could become "the success story of the 1990s" if it adopted a policy of change and flexiblity.

There was a need to change attitudes and to gain the employees' and unions' acceptance of change.

"The education system must also help to change the culture surrounding work and the idea of what is a 'proper' job," he added.

CON TRICK GANG JAILED

THREE youths who conned their way into the homes of pensioners and stole thousands of pounds were given long custodial sentences by Judge IAN MCLEAN at Inner London Crown Court yesterday.

DAVID BAILEY, 21, gang leader, of Lilburne Road, Eltham, who had mer than 150 previous convictions for identical offences, pleaded guilty to 76 burglaries and was jailed for six years.

Mr GEORGES KHAYAT, prosecuting, said the gang picked on people aged between 75 and 86, living alone or in old people's homes.

They usually tricked their way in by offering to clean windows for nothing or pretending to collect old newspapers.

"While the pensioners were distracted, jewellery, cash and treasured mementoes, kept for years and years, were stolen," he said. None of the preperty was recovered.

'Anguish and morry'

The court heard he was jailed for three years in 1982 after pleading guilty to 134 burglaries from pensioners. He was released in January last year and within weeks had begun the new spate of offences.

He was finally caught trying to break into an old people's home in Lewisham in January this year.

Judge Mclean told him: "People like you cause anguish and worry to hundreds of householders. What is needed is not a pat on the back but very long custodial sentences to keep you away from preying on old people."

DAVID PENFOLD, 21, of Middle Park Avenue, Elrham, admitted 17 burglaries and was jailed for four years. GARY TAYLOR, 20, of Manthorpe Road, Woolwich, pleaded guilty to 40 offences and was sentenced to four years' youth custody.

B B C DECISION 'ARROGANT' SAYS PEER

The B B C was accused in the Lords yesterday of arrogance over its decision to show the film "The War Game" on the anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

Lord CHALFONT (Ind) urged the Government during Question Time to protest about the programme which, he said, was a "great disappointment to many hundreds of ex-Servicemen who fought in the Far East and see the end of the war in which they fought being marked by a piece of tendentious, unilateralist propaganda."

Lord GLENARTHUR, Home Affairs Under-Secretary, said it was up to the B B C to decide what programmes to broadcast and it would be contrary to the practice endorsed by successive governments for ministers to seek to influence its decisions. He added that the film was being shown as part of a special week of current affairs documentaries.

BOMB HOAXER WHO FLED TO SPAIN JAILED

A man who made three bomb hoax calls in London within 30 minutes, days after the Hyde Park and Regent's Park I R A bombings in July 1982, having witnessed the carnage at Hyde Park, was jailed for six weeks at Horseferry Road court yesterday.

Mr William Saunders, defending, said that Rodney North, 36, had jumped bail and fled to Spain after his arrest, fearing the consequences in the then mood of the nation. He was re-arrested at Gatwick Airport on July 8 when he returned to England to see his 71-year-old mother.

North, who married in Spain after the offences and lives there with his wife and two children but was formerly of Warwick Street, Ryde, Isle of Wight, was also fined £25

EXTRADITION OF TERROR CASE MAN ORDERED

By A Dublin Correspondent

An Irish High Court judge yesterday ordered the extradition of a Scottish terrorist suspect accused of posting a letter bomb to the Earl of Mansfield in May 1985 when Mrs Thatcher was staying at the Earl's home.

David Dinsmore, 25, an admitted member of the Scottish Nationalist Liberation Army, did not appear in Dublin High Court yesterday to pursue an appeal against a ruling by a district court judge to send him back to face trial.

Dinsmore of Midthorn Crescent, Falkirk, jumped bail last October during his appeal and has been on the run since.

COUPLE FOUND DEAD IN DOCKS

By Our Crime Correspondent

An elderly couple found dead in their car in Tilbury Docks, Essex, are believed to have made a suicide pact. Police divers yesterday recovered the bodies of Mr Algernon Smart, 80, and his wife Hilda, 78.

Mr Smart, who suffered from skin cancer, and his wife, who was confined to a wheelchair after a recent stroke, disappeared from their home at Aveley, Essex, a week ago.

British Steel in profit after pit strike setback

By OUR BUSINESS CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Steel is operating profitably after being blown off course during the miners' strike and has set its sights on producing a surplus of £200 million before interest payments.

Sir Robert Haslam, chairman, disclosed yesterday that the State corporation achieved a clear operating profit in the first three months of the current tax year.

He said it was aiming to stick to its earlier plan of halting Government aid by the end of the year.

The corporation, in the year March 31, achieved its best operating result since 1976-77 even after accounting for the £180 million coal strike bill.

It would have made an operating profit of £40 million after interest without the strike costs.

But British Steel ended the year with a total loss of £409 million against £256 million a year earlier.

The cost of ending an expensive iron ore contract in Canada added £105 million to the deficit, while redundancy payments of £39 million added to total exceptional costs of £264 million.

'More closures'

Sir Robert gave a renewed warning that if British Steel was to become viable, further plant closures "cannot be avoided."

The coproration is starting discussions again with the Department of Trade and Industry on plans which include the closure of either Ravenscraig, Scotland or Llanwern, South Wales.

Sir Robert pointed out that, at operating level, the corporation's results had improved by £400 million over the last two years.

Over the last five years the workforce had been reduced by more than 100,000 to just over 64,000 and productivity had more than doubled.

SUBSIDIES BAN

Ravenscraig threat

Our BRUSSELS Correspondent writes: Steel companies in the *Common Market* should get state subsidies to close unprofitable steelworks after the New Year but not to keep them open, the E E C Commission said yesterday.

The Commission called on member Governments to honour their 1982 commitment to ban capital and operating subsidies to loss-making steelworks from the New Year.

The proposals, which are to be discused by E E C Industry Ministers in Brussels next Thursday, would mean that the Government would be forbidden to bale out any part of British Steel from January 1.

Although the near ban on subsidies has long been expected, it seems certain to reignite speculation about the future of the loss-making strip mill at Ravenscraig.

British Steel Report and Accounts *Embankment, London, S.E.1. £2.*

STRONG MAN GROUNDS PLANES

Dave Gauder, 30, a 16-stone professional strong man from Bromsgrove, Worcs, won his way into the "Guinness Book of Records" yesterday by preventing two Piper Cherokee aircraft, pulling in opposite directions, from taking off.

Gauder, whose daily diet includes 25 eggs, 5lb of bananas, one chicken, six pints of milk, two 32-oz steaks and baked potatoes, held the combined pull of 1,200 lb provided by the aircraft at Halfpenny Green airfield, Staffs. The previous record was set in Australia.

C5 ADVERT CLAIMS 'UNPROVEN'

SAFETY, speed and design claims in advertisements for Sir Clive Sinclair's £599 C5 electric tricycle are being withdrawn or amended after an intensive investigation by the Advertising Standards Authority and complaints from the public.

The authority said the advertising claims were either unproven or could not be justified.

"We had five complaints about various aspects of the advertising for this vehicle and we have upheld four of them," said a spokesman for the authority last night.

The only complaint it rejected was one doubting Sinclair Vehicles assertion that safety organisations "have welcomed a new vehicle for young people."

'Drunk's dream'

The authority felt that since the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents had issued a brochure giving advice to C5 users, this claim was borne out.

The British Safety Council, however, condemned the C5 as "A drunk driver's dream."

A spokesman for Sinclair Vehicles said: "We will, of course, comply with the Advertising Standards Authority's recommendations but we do not necessarily agree with their opinions."

AIR FARES TO FALKLANDS REVISED

By Our Port Stanley Correspondent

A compromise reached on air fares to the Falklands will allow travellers booking at least 28 days in advance to pay an "advance purchase fare" of £625 single (£1,250 return). Since the £400 million airport at Mount Pleasant was opened in May the only rate available for non-Falkland Islanders has been more than £2,000 for a return.

Bookings will be possible right up to flight days at £975 single (£1,950 return). People on business judged important to development can pay £525 single (£1,050 return), which is the fare for Falkland Islanders and close relatives.

GO-AHEAD FOR LUFTHANSA PLANES DEAL

By Our Air Correspondent

The Supervisory Board of Lufthansa, representing shareholders of the German airline, is expected to ratify today a plan to buy 72 aircraft worth £2,000 million. The deal involves 60 European Airbuses, for which British Aerospace will build the wings.

Rolls-Royce will share the engine orders with Pratt and Whitney and General Electric of the United States. The huge replacement plan will put West Germany's flag carrier, in which the Federal Government is keeping an 82 per cent shareholding, well ahead of British Airways in rejuvenating its fleet.

Britain's national airline is under Treasury restraint not to order new aircraft until after privatisation next year.

Delay in law to allow pleas against lenience

GOVERNMENT legislation to give prosecution lawyers the right to appeal against lenient sentences will have to wait until the next Criminal Justice Bill, planned for the 1986-87 session, because the Home Office's legislative timetable is so congested.

A previous attempt by the Conservative Government to amend the powers of the prosecution by enabling the Attorney-General to have a lenient sentence reviewed by the Court of Appeal was thrown out by the Lords.

When the Prosecution of Offenders Bill re-appeared before the Commons in April, however, Mr Brittan, Home Secretary, said the Government was not prepared to let the matter drop and intended to introduce new legislation within this Parliament.

The Prime Minister, in her address to the American Bar Association meeting in London, said that while the *criminal* justice system was rightly weighted in favour of the accused, this "should not blind us to the fact that the acquittal of a guilty person constitutes a miscarriage of justice just as much as the conviction of the innocent."

Under the defeated proposals, a review by the Court of Appeal could not have affected the sentence in question but only have acted as a guide to the kind of sentence to be expected in future cases.

So far the Government has not decided how revised proposals would differ from those defeated in the Prosecution of Offences Bill, which is now law.

INFORMATION BILL 'Hypocrisy' claim

OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT writes: Ministers were guilty of inconsistency and hypocrisy in their approach to more open government, Mr *Des Wilson*, chairman of the Campaign for Freedom of Information, claimed yesterday in an address to an American Bar Association meeting in London.

He contrasted Government support for the Local Government Access to Information Bill, which was passed by the Commons earlier this month, with the refusal to accept freedom of information on a national basis.

Mr Thomas Susman, a lawyer from Washington, said dealing with requests for information under the American Freedom of Information Act was costing the Federal Government over $50 million a year. Mr Burt Braverman, another Washington lawyer, said the Act was being increasingly used by companies to conduct industrial surveillance and espionage.

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Parent supervisor tells inquest he had no experience or training

LAND'S END TRIP WAS 'CHAOTIC FREE-FOR-ALL'

By LIN JENKINS

THE BANK Holiday school outing to Land's End during which four children drowned was "a chaotic free-for-all," Mr MICHAEL NAPIER, representing parents of two of the boys, said at the inquest in Penzance yesterday.

He made the accusation while cross-examining Mr DAVID PADDISON, one of the parent supervisors on the trip from Stoke Poges middle school, Buckinghamshire.

It brought heated objections from lawyers representing Mr Alec Askew, the headmaster, and Mr Paddison.

Mr DONALD THOMPSON, solicitor for Mr Askew, said: "This is far too much. It is a gratuitous comment. He has no right to do it on the facts and I most bitterly regret that."

Mr Napier rephrased his words slightly to put it to Mr Paddison that there had effectively been a free-for-all.

But Mr PHILIP JONES, solicitor for Mr Paddison, insisted: "That is a matter for the jury to draw their own conclusions."

Mr Napier then asked Mr Paddison: "Did the children have freedom to go where they wanted?" Mr Paddison, a father of three with two daughters at the school, said: "Yes within the confines of Land's End."

Mr Paddison, a builder, said the children were never told not to climb down the 300 foot cliffs or go near the sea.

He said the headmaster had told them they could go to the gift shop and buy presents and instructed them: "Stick to the paths and don't run around."

Parent supervisor Mr David Paddison: no advice on safety.

Mr Paddison said he had never received advice on safety aspects of the trip from the education authority or the school and he was unaware of published guidelines on looking after children on cliffs, seashores and while rock climbing.

During the trip, on May 6, a group of pupils playing on rocks at the water's edge were hit by a large wave and swept into the sea.

The boys who died were: Ricci Lamden, 11, Nicholas Hurst, 10, James Holloway, 11, and Robert Ankers, 12.

Mr PADDISON said that the 51-strong party, once off the coach, proceeded "crocodile fashion" to the cliff tops and after that were "generally milling around."

Asked by Mr DERRICK PEPPERELL, West Cornwall Coroner, if he had noticed that some of his group of 13 children were missing he replied: "I thought had all of them, but obviously didn't."

Laughed at first

The first he knew of some of them being near the water was when a teacher, Mr Robin Harrington, told him that Heather Price was in the sea.

"I don't want to sound light-hearted but I laughed and said what the hell is she doing swimming here," said Mr Paddison.

He added that he knew Heather well and that as a keen strong swimmer she grabbed every opportunity to take to the water.

Realising that the situation was in fact serious, Mr Paddison ran down the cliff path, telling the other parent helper, Mr Christopher Birch, to remain at the top as he could not swim.

He met several children who were "wet, distressed and crying" coming up the path.

When he reached the shoreline he could see none of the children and began shouting over the roar of the waves until he heard Heather shouting for help.

He pulled her from the rock where she was perched and helped her higher up the cliff face.

Emotional scene

Realising he was still below the high water mark and that the tide was coming in and he had no escape route he shouted to someone else who had come down the cliff to get help and the pair were eventually rescued by helicopter.

Despite an aerial search of the area he at no time saw any of the four boys in the water.

Other pupils told the inquest at the Queen's Hotel earlier yesterday how they narrowly escaped death while chasing the waves at the bottom of the granite cliffs.

Some young witnesses broke down as they remembered their last sightings of the four boys being buffetted against rocks by the swell. Some parents wept as they listened.

It emerged that more than 20 children had gone down to the rocks. Many were soaked in the large wave, but just escaped being swept into the sea.

SIMON BAILEY, 12, told how he wanted to jump in and try to save one of the boys who was lying face downwards in the water.

He was prevented from attempting a rescue, which would almost have certainly cost him his life, by his friends Steven Brooks and Malcolm Otter, who held him back.

Simon said: "I saw Jamie face down in the water and saw Heather moving backwards and forwards in the swell. I thought Jamie was in trouble and I said I was going down to get him out, but they stopped me, and told me not to, because there was nothing to throw in."

Saved by ankle

He said he was saved from being washed in when he caught his ankle in a rock as he was knocked over by the wave. His friend Alistair Smith, 11, was also stopped from being washed off the rocks when he slid behind Simon and clung on to him.

Ten children told how they had made a tricky descent and stood on rocks about five feet above water level. Some were playing a game running to the edge and back trying to avoid the spray.

As they played Ian Wilson shouted a warning about a larger wave, but most of the youngsters said they never saw it until it hit them.

MELANIE COURAGE, 12, told the jury: "I lost my balance and was pushed back against the rocks.

"Nicola and I turned around and started going up the cliff. We then looked in the water and we saw Robert Ankers: he was struggling, doing the doggie paddle and trying to get into the gully, and Ricci was treading water, and I saw Jamie Holloway and he was face down."

NICOLA WOOD, 12, said in her evidence that when the school bus arrived at Land's End the party was warned not to "run about" and be back within 45 minutes. She said that nothing else was said about what was expected of them.

Wandered off

She said that when she had left the bus with the other children they were told to go with their group leader, teacher Mr Robert Harrington. She said: "He said we could go and we wandered off."

Mr NAPIER, solicitor acting for the parents of Robert Ankers and James Holloway, asked: "What did Mr Harrington say?" Nicola replied: "He didn't say anything."

Mr Napier: "Did he tell you where you could go or could not go?"

Nicola: "He said we could go to the shops."

Mr Napier: "Did he tell you where you could not go or should not go?"

Nicola: "I don't think so."

STEVEN BROOKS, in a statement read to the court because he was ill, said he avoided being swept into the sea by clinging to a rock.

He said Mr Askew had earlier told them not to go near the water "so we all stayed on the rocks about nine feet above the water."

Hit by spray

He knew where the accompanying teachers and parents were but he could not see them. The sea was a bit rough and his group was being hit by spray.

He said: "We had been down there a few minutes when suddenly I got hit by a wave which came from behind me."

Jonathan Wood, 11, said in evidence that the school party arrived at Land's End about 3.15pm. As far as he could remember neither the teachers nor adult helpers said anything about what they could do or not do.

Mr MALCOLM FERGUSSON, a holidaymaker, was sitting on the cliffs with his girlfriend when he saw the wave hit the children.

"It was completely out of proportion to all the other waves. It cannot be overstressed that everything seemed fine and suddenly the whole rocks on all three levels were completely deluged," he told the inquest.

Some children appeared to lose their footing and as the foam cleared he saw three heads bobbing in the water.

The inquest was adjourned until today.

Children from Stoke Poges who played games with the "waves of death" waiting to give evidence in Penzance yesterday on the four youngsters who died. From left: Leigh Collins, Jonathan Wood, Karen Carter, Melanie Courage, Nicola Wright, Nicola Wood, Alistair Smith, Heather Price, Simon Bailey, Malcolm Otter and Robert Bartlett.

ARSON CHARGE

Alexander Leonard Foster, 30, a labourer, of Acre Lane, Amersham, Bucks., was remanded in custody until Thursday week by magistrates yesterday charged with arson at Missenden Abbey, Great Missenden, Bucks., last week.

Factory shut each week for dole collection

MICHAEL CUTTS let his whole factory workforce join him in a social security fiddle by closing his factory every Wednesday morning so that they could sign on, Doncaster Crown Court was told yesterday.

In two years Cutts, 40, milked the state of £10,000 through his own false claims for supplementary benefit.

The swindle did not end there for every one of his ten employees was also making false benefit claims with connivance and encouragement.

Mr. GEORGE ENGLAND, prosecuting, said: "Such was the scale of the deception that the factory closed down for two hours every Wednesday morning so that the workforce could go *en masse* to sign on."

Cutts, of Ledbury Gardens, Cusworth, near Doncaster, pleaed guilty to 54 offences of obtaining supplementary benefit by deception. He was jailed for a year, with a quarter of the sentence suspended.

When questioned by DHSS investigators, Cutts said: "All I can say is it works very well employing people who are in the dole. You get them on the cheap for as little as £1 an hour."

Added Mr England: "The picture he tried to paint was one of a business not going particularly well, but seven months before the fraud came to light he rented a second factory unit adjoining the one he was already occupying and installed new machinery.

Mr England said Cutts ended up on the dole after being voted off the board of the Doncaster-based family firm of waste paper merchants when his marriage failed.

Within a month he had launched his own company, rented a factory unit in Rotherham to manufacture cardboard cartons under the name of Cutts Packaging. But he still continued to claim benefit:

"It brought his total annual rent to £9,360 but never once did he fall behind in his monthly payments."

Cutts had tried to make amends by making good all the over-payments made to his employees as well as paying their fines after they were convicted of benefit fraud offences.

"There was no question of him living the high life. At the time of the offences he was paying £15,000 a year rent and rates, £10,000 in wages and still maintaining the matrimonial home. All he was taking out of the business was £40 a week," he added.

Police flew too low for charity stunt

TWO police helicopter pilots who took part in a charity flight watched by millions of television viewers were each fined £200 yesterday for flying recklessly.

The helicopter, owned by Devon and Cornwall police, dropped a television presenter, Chris Denham, on the lawn outside BBC studios in the centre of Plymouth during the Children in Need appeal.

It also delivered a giant cake to be auctioned for the appeal.

The stunt, which was shown throughout Britain, had the blessing of the Chief Constable, Mr Donald Elliott. But officials from the Civil Aviation Authority watching the charity programme were not impressed.

"They thought it was very dangerous and the flight involved a breach of Civil Aviation Authority rules, because it was so low," Mr WILLIAM COKER, prosecuting, told Plymouth magistrates.

More dangerous

He said the Navy's helicopter display team, The Sharks, had rejected the stunt because it was felt to be too risky. But the police helicopter stepped in to do it.

The two pilots, PAUL HANNANT, of Axminster, and MARK THUMBLE, of Kingsbridge, both admitted reckless flying.

Their solicitor, Mr PETER MARTIN, said both men were experienced pilots who flew for the police every day, and neither thought the flight unsafe. "Many of the operations they fly are much more dangerous," he said.

After the case, Mr Michael Reed, BBC regional manager, said he was surprised the pilots were prosecuted. "They were doing the flight for charity, and it was a very generous act."

Trumble said the police and the Civil Aviation Authority had since had consultations and the police had some of the normally strict rules about flying practices relaxed.

BROADMOOR FOR WOMAN'S KILLER

A man who stabbed a woman he had never met before 82 times with a carving knife was sent to Broadmoor without limitation of time yesterday. Gary Lambert, 21, of Blackbush Avenue, Chadwell Heath, Romford, east London, was suffering from "acute schizophrenia" and was a danger to the public, Judge Richard Lowry said at the Old Bailey.

Lambert denied murdering Miss Catherine Glavin, 24, a secretary, at the flat she shared with his sister, Donna, in Aston Mews, Chadwell Heath, last January, but admitted manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. His plea was accepted.

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RIVEN BELGIAN COALITION TO 'STAGGER ON'

By JOHN LICHFIELD in Brussels

THE Belgian coalition Government collapsed yesterday but then picked itself up and agreed to stagger on to early elections in October.

The Centre-Right administration of Mr Wilfried Martens is to all intents and purposes over, riven by poliitical rivalries and recriminations about the Brussels soccer disaster last May.

But on the insistence of King Baudouin the four coalition partners agreed yesterday to continue in Government until early autumn.

The temporary resurrection of the Martens Government will avoid the necessity for elections during the August holidays and rescue urgent legislation on tax, social welfare and constitutional reform.

'Clinically dead'

But Belgian newspapers were in no doubt yesterday that the coalition was "clinically dead".

Mr Martens handed his resignation to King Baudouin yesterday morning following the decision of the Francophone Liberal party to quit the coalition on Monday.

The King postponed a decision on whether to accept the resignation, while frantic attempts were made to rope together a makeshift administration.

Finally Mr Martens announced last night that the King had *"refused" his resignation* and that the present Government would continue in power with a "limited legislative programme" until early elections in October. A general election had been due on December 8.

Government sources said it was "unthinkable" that elections should have been forced in August when many Belgian people (and politicians) would normally be out of the country. Voting is compulsory in Belgium with stiff fines in default.

Earlier the French-speaking Liberals confirmed at a Cabinet meeting their decision to leave the Government unless M Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb, Minister of the Interior, was excluded or demoted.

Mr Nothomb was criticised in a Parliamentary report on the Heysel stadium disaster which found that policing errors contributed to the deaths of 38 people and injuries to 450 in rioting before the Liverpool-Juventus European Cup Final on May 29.

The Minister of the Interior refused to resign and escaped an *Opposition censure motion* at the close of a Parliamentary debate on the report last Saturday through a procedural manoeuvre.

Confusing tactics

The French-speaking Liberals attacked Mr Nothomb in the debate, took part in the coalition manoeuvre to protect him, but resigned in the face of Press criticism of their shilly-shallying on Monday.

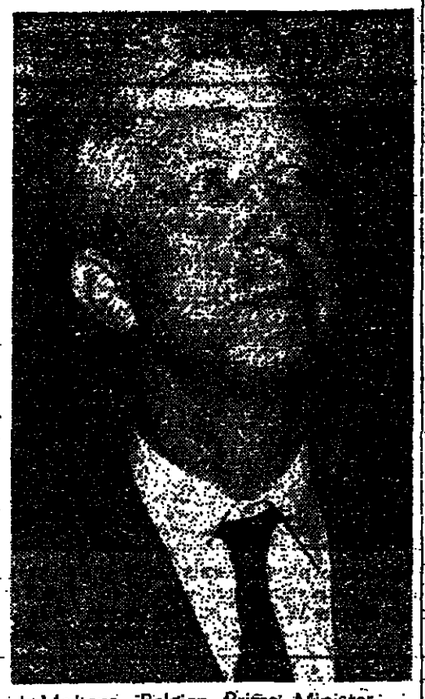
Most Belgian newspapers have interpreted the confusing Liberal tactics as influenced by the fierce competition for votes in French-speaking Wallonia with Mr Nothomb's party, the Social Christians.

Belgian commentators have been unanimous in identifying political rivalries in Wallonia and personal animosities within the Government as the true, underlying causes of the split in the coalition.

The Francophone Liberals and the Social Christians, although partners in coalition, are intense rivals for the Centre-Right vote in the French-speaking south of Belgium.

The Liberals overtook the Social Christians at the last poll in 1981 to become the second largest party in Parliament.

But recent opinion polls have suggested that the Social Christians will reverse this defeat in the forthcoming elections. The likely winners in this internecine warfare, however, are the Francophone Socialists, already the largest party in Wallonia.



M. Wilfred Martens, Belgian Prime Minister, and (right) his Interior Minister, M. Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb, leaving after yesterday's crisis Cabinet meeting in Brussels.

RIVAL TO MARCOS IS ARRESTED

By IAN WARD in Singapore

AS a controversial Philippine court yesterday sat in judgment on the assassination of Senator Benigno Aquino, main political challenger to President Marcos, another contender for national leadership was arrested on corruption charges.

Mr Francisco Tatad, a former long-serving senior Cabinet Minister, claimed after being freed on bail he was being charged to divert attention from allegations of top-level Government corruption involving multi-million-dollar property deals in the United States.

The warrant for his arrest was issued after the publication of a hard-hitting newspaper column in which the former Information Minister called for the resignation of the President in the light of the American property scandal.

Mr Tatad is regarded by many Western political observers as a likely presidential candidate. Certainly no other figure within the deeply-divided Philippine Opposition has had as much experience in active Government.

The case against him will be heard by the same Tanodbayan Court process that is currently dealing with the Aquino assassination trial. A primary criticism of this process is that the judicial posts involved are almost exclusively presidential *appointments.*

Under the prevailing circumstances in Manila, a Tanodbayan trial of Mr Tatad is almost guaranteed to win him widespread sympathy and support — irrespective of the outcome.

Murder charge mother freed from French jail

By MICHAEL FIELD in Paris

A YOUNG Frenchwoman charged with the murder last year of her 4½-year-old son, and jailed since July 5, was freed under police supervision yesterday by order of the Appeal Court in Nancy.

"Christine Villemin is free, her unjust imprisonment has ended, and the arguments of her defence have prevailed," Maitre Henri-Rene Garaud, her lawyer, announced triumphantly.

Mme Villemin, 25, who is six months pregnant, faces trial for the murder of her son, Gregory, who was found drowned in the Vologne river near Epanges in the Vosges, last Oct. 16.

The child's hands and feet had been bound with cord. Investigators said he had been thrown into the river about three miles upstream.

The freeing of Christine Villemin is the latest act in a nine-month drama followed with morbid fascination by millions of French people, every detail being picked up by the *media and turned into a real-*life television serial.

The country and Press are divided into supporters of Mme Villemin, who believe she is innocent, and those, egged on by some of the popular Press, who see her as something of a village Madame Bovary, a reader of trashy romances who secretly hated her husband's working-class family, and killed her little boy to spite them.

The drama actually began with an anonymous telephone call to the child's uncle saying: "I have taken revenge. I have taken the boss's son. I have put him in the Vologne". Four-and-a-half hours later the child's body was found.

'Le corbeau'

Next day an anonymous letter arrived at the Villemin's bungalow. It was one of many missives sent before and since to members of the Villemin family by what the French call a "corbeau" — a poison-pen writer.

Handwriting experts first identified the "corbeau" as Bernard Laroche, cousin of little Gregory's father. He was charged with murder and jailed by the examining magistrate, M. Jean-Michel Lambert, 32, a young judge whose convictions in the case have drawn as much publicity as his spectacles and blue jeans.

The case against Laroche rested entirely on evidence from his 15-year-old sister-in-law, Muriel, who later retracted her accusations and alleged that gendarmes had bullied her into saying things.

Judge Lambert then took the case away from the gendarmerie and called in the "Police Judiciaire", the French CID. The handwriting evidence was thrown out as improperly obtained, and the gendarmerie was accused of bungling the investigation from the start.

New handwriting tests given to the whole family pointed to Christine Villemin herself as the possible "corbeau." Four days after she was told she was a suspect, her husband, Jean-Marie Villemin, foreman at a car upholstery factory, shot Bernard Laroche dead and was himself jailed and charged with murder.

Mme Christine Villemin — freed yesterday while awaiting trial for the murder of her son Gregory, 4 (below).

The discovery at the Villemins' bungalow of pieces of cord identical with those used to tie little Gregory's hands and feet and evidence by four village girls who say they saw Christine posting a letter on the day of the murder appear to have led the judge to believe she is the "corbeau" and the killer.

When she was jailed at Nancy on July 5 Christine Villemin and her husband both began hunger strikes, which they abandoned after four days when her lawyer said she might be freed on appeal.

In France persons charged with a crime are technically presumed innocent under law until proved guilty. But there is no law of contempt of court, and the secrecy of proceedings under the examining magistrate is often violated in cases drawing strong public interest.

The case has been a flagrant example of the least admirable side of French justice.

Reporters have invaded the Vosges village of Epanges for months, obtaining, sometimes for payment, statements from all and sundry, trampling the graves in the churchyard where the little boy is buried, and giving Christine Villemin front-page notoriety in mass-circulation newspapers.

U.N. FAMINE EFFORTS CRITICISED

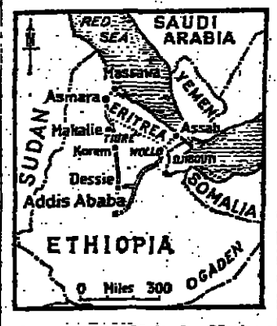
By JAMES MacMANUS in Korem, northern Ethiopia

A SHORTAGE of transport and the inadequacy of the United Nations co-ordinating team in Addis Ababa are preventing food from reaching starving Ethiopians according to Western aid workers.

During a tour of Wollo province yesterday by the Overseas Development Minister, Mr Timothy Raison, field staff from the British agencies, Oxfam and Save the Children, criticised the poor distribution of emergency food supplies and the work of the United Nations co-ordinator in the country, Dr *Kurt Jansson.*

In Wollo, where the plight of starving at the famine camp of Korem aroused the conscience of the world last year only 50 per cent. of two million people affected by famine are receiving emergency food.

Mr David Spencer, who works for Save the Children at Dessie in the south of the province, said: "There is a lack of organisation at the centre,



where the United Nations should be co-ordinating the whole relief effort.

"As it is, I have to search the shipping bulletins issued by the United Nations to see what food is coming in and then approach the donor nations direct to get it sent up here—if I can find the transport."

The main criticism of the United Nations in Ethiopia is that it is allowing far too much food to be sent to the southern provinces instead of the provinces of Wollo, Tigre, and Eritrea in the north, where the drought and famine have hit hardest.

One Oxfam worker said of the United Nation's chief in the country: "Jansson is a nice guy, but we need a man in Addis to thump tables and bang on doors to get the food sent to the right place. Right now a lot of it is not even getting out of the ports."

The aid workers pointed out, however, that although food and transport are still short in Wello province the situation there has vastly improved since last November when around 100 people were dying a week in Korem camp alone.

Now the death rate in the hilltop famine camp has fallen to 15 a week. Forty thousand people, 15,000 of them children under six, are still crowded around feeding centres on a vast tented, muddy field.

With the recent arrival of the rains in the 12,000ft highlands many of the hungry are suffering from pneumonia as well as malnutrition due to the lack of shelter during the cold, wet nights.

Children livelier

But the desperate scenes of starvation and the sound of several thousand people coughing at once that were witnessed in Kotem last year have gone. Instead all but the most sickly *children seem livelier and* noisier than they were nine months ago.

Rita Lonsdale, 28, a Save the Children Fund nurse from Preston, Lancs., said: "We have enough food now for the 13,000 children on our feeding programme, but we still need more for the area. Things have improved since I arrived six months ago."

Mr Raison, who spent the first day of his three-day visit touring Wollo province, also saw a marked difference since he last visited the famine camps nine months ago.

He said: "Korem was the saddest place I had seen before, but the death rate has dropped and emergency supplies are getting through. There are still people in a pitiable condition, and there seems to be some sort of block on food coming to this particular province."

Asked last night about the criticism of the United Nations co-ordinator, Dr Jansson, officials from his agency said that he was doing his best in a *remarkably difficult job*

White House chief in control during President's absence

By DAVID SHEARS in Washington

VICE-PRESIDENT BUSH has taken over some of President Reagan's ceremonial and lobbying functions, but the man in the driver's seat in Washington during the power *hiatus is unquestionably* Mr Donald Regan, the White House chief of staff.

"There is no conflict between them," Miss *Shirley* Green, the Vice-President's spokeswoman, said.

"They have entirely different responsibilities and they work very closely together."

Mr Regan, 66, the former head of Wall Street's biggest stockbroking firm and former Secretary of the Treasury, is the chief executive of the White House staff.

His regular job is to take charge of the paperwork and ensure that only the options requiring presidential decision reach Mr Reagan's desk. At present he is trying to lighten Mr Reagan's load as far as possible, but still keep him sufficiently informed to make major decisions on domestic *and foreign policy.*

No power

To this end Mr Regan has been shuttling to and fro between the White House and the presidential suite at Bethesda Naval Hospital. The chief of staff maintains an office at the hospital that he uses for short periods every day.

As Vice-President, Mr Bush has a very different function. Indeed, in strict constitutional terms, he has no power at all as long as the President is capable of fulfilling the duties of office.

The classic definition, "The vice-presidency ain't worth a piture of warm spit," is attributed to John Garner, who held the office during President Franklin Roosevelt's first two terms, from 1933 to 41.

Since those days successive presidents have made a point of making more and more use of their vice-presidents. Mr Reagan has ensured that Mr Bush attends White House policymaking meetings and receives full intelligence briefings.

Mr Bush is involved with various task forces set up to deal with such problems as terrorism and drugs. Yesterday, for instance, he conferred with Adm. James Holloway, the *retired officer who has been* been appointed to head the government's anti-terrorism study group.

But Mr Bush keeps a low profile. Apart from the brief spell when he served as acting President during Mr Reagan's operation, he has avoided any move that would confuse the lines of authority.

Cancelled trip

Mr Bush, 61, cancelled a two-day Republican fund-raising trip to the Mid-West that would *have helped his continuing* effort to build support for a presidential candidacy in 1988.

Yesterday he lunched with Senators and today he will continue lobbying key members of Congress for budget deficit reductions and for the President's *embattled tax reform* plan.

The Vice-President also received Mr Keijiro Murata, Japan's Minister of Trade and Industry.

But these are the kind of activities that Vice-Presidents *regularly engage in,* helping to grease the wheels of government.

AWARENESS OF CANCER INCREASED

By RICHARD BEESTON in New York

PRESIDENT REAGAN has done for public awareness of colorectal cancer what Mrs Betty Ford did 10 years ago for breast cancer when she went public about her condition, New York specialists said yesterday.

"We used to call colorectal cancer the cancer nobody talked about. I would say this week it's the aner everybody's talking about," said Miss Joann Schellenbach, of the American Cancer Society.

Dr Lawrence Garfinkel, a cancer prevention expert, said: "I certainly expect an increase in people calling for detection examinations. I think any kind of national publicity is good to get people to come for detection of cancer."

Publicity effect

In trying to diagnose colon and rectal cancer early enough to improve chances of survival, doctors want to examine patients "before they see red blood in the stool," said Dr Sidney Winawer at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Centre in New York.

Dr Garfinkel said diagnosis of breast cancer surged 10 years ago after the publicity given by Mrs Ford to her treatment.

The Cancer Society estimates about 96,000 cases of colon cancer will be found this year, plus 42,000 cases of rectal *cancer. Among cancers,* only those of the lung and skin are found more frequently.

About 59,900 Americans are expected to die from colorectal cancer this year, second only to lung cancer. Colon cancer is expected to account for 51,000 of the deaths.

To catch colorectal cancer early in people who have not shown symptoms, the Cancer Society recommends three kinds of tests: starting at age 40, people should have their doctors do an annual digital examination of the rectum.

Early detection

At 50, the society recommends starting examinations of the rectum and part of the colon by a physician who uses a flexible, hollow tube to look for growths. If two annual exams fail to find anything wrong, the society suggests another exam every three to five years thereafter.

The importance of early detection shows in the percentage of patients surviving five years after diagnosis: 87 per *cent. for colon cancer and 79* per cent. for rectal cancer that is found and removed in an early stage, but only 47 per cent. and 38 per cent. respectively if the cancer has spread elsewhere in the body.

"It's just very easily curable by simple surgery if caught in its early stages, but we don't catch as many as we could," Miss Schellenback said.

Professor Sidney Meihhouse, biochemistry professor at the Temple University School of Medicine, said some evidence suggested a high-fat diet might promote colon cancer, whereas fibre in the diet might prevent it.

German win on points in cereal price row

By GODFREY BROWN Agriculture Correspondent in Brussels

WEST GERMANY gained a points victory over her Common Market partners yesterday in the row over cutting guaranteed prices to European cereal farmers.

After two days of talks by E E C *Agriculture Ministers in* Brussels and a special emergency meeting of the 14-man executive Commission yesterday the deadlock was as complete as when West Germany vetoed the proposed 1·8 per cent. cereal price cut a month ago.

So in the absence of a decision by the policy-forming Council of Agriculture Ministers the Commission tabled last night a declaration setting out how it would manage the cereals market for the new season beginning on Aug. 1.

It contained several conces*sions to the German demands*

One is to authorise carry-over payments for cereal stocks held by private traders at the end of this month when the new, lower guaranteed grain prices begin to operate.

200 MASSACRED IN SOVIET AFGHAN ATTACK

By Our Islamabad Correspondent

Soviet troops massacred 200 civilians at Bagram, just north of the Afghan capital, Kabul, according to Western diplomatic dispatches *received in Islama*bad yesterday.

The reports said Soviet forces had attacked the village on July 14 in retaliation for rocket and other attacks guerrillas had carried out in the area. Finding the guerrillas had left the village the troops *turned their* anger on the residents—killing and looting.

In the south-western city of Herat, close to the Iranian border, heavy fighting broke out on July 3. The anti-Soviet insurgents took three days to dislodge *Soviet forces from several* defensive positions in Herat. Reports said 35 Soviet and Afghan régime soldiers were killed, 55 captured and more than 100 wounded during the fighting.

SHCHARANSKY PLEA BY WIFE

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Mrs Avital Shcharansky *called yesterday for the release* of her husband, Anatoly, and other Soviet political prisoners and dissidents before the 10th anniversary celebrations in Helsinki on August 1, of the 1975 Helsinki accords on human rights.

Mrs Shcharansky intends to go to Helsinki herself unless her husband, a prisoner for eight years, is freed by then. At a London Press conference she urged those foreign ministers and others who will attend the Helsinki celebrations to take up the cases of prisoners held in contravention of the accords.

U.S. PAYS FOR PALESTINIANS

By Our Vienna Correspondent

The United States has given $8,000,000 (£5,760,000) more in emergency funds to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, which aids more than 2,000,000 Palestinian refugees.

The sum goes a long way to help the agency from halting operations for lack of funds. The United States now shoulders more than half its budget while the oil-rich Arab countries provide less than five per cent.

Peres averts general strike in Israel

By MAIER ASHER in Jerusalem

A NIGHT-long meeting between Mr Peres, Israeli Prime Minister, Gen. Ysrael Kessar, labour leader, and employers' representatives resulted in a *new contract* with the private sector and averted a general strike.

Negotiations between the government and the Histadrut trade union federation continued yesterday in an effort to apply the principles of the contract to the public sector and to reach agreement on dismissals of thousands of civil servants in a government cost-cutting measure.

According to Mr Yitzhak Modai, Finance Minister, the new contract preserved the principles of wage indexation, which is a victory *for the trade* unions, but it limits wage increases, and offers lower compensation to the wage earners, thus realising important economies and budget cuts.

The rise of the price index by 14·9 per cent. in June, although the highest for that month, was far lower than expected by the trade unions, robbing the Histadrut of the chance to demand higher wage compensations for recent price rises and the 18 per cent. devaluation of the shekel.

The public understood the government was this time earnest in its intentions to cut *public spending and fire civil* servants. People started buying less, hording less and spending less on entertainment.

Mr Peres expressed satisfaction that the Histadrut had understood the need for wage cuts.

Economists from the universities who advised Mr Peres on the plan said he had shown impressive leadership

11 DIE IN NAMIBIA

A police counter-insurgency unit killed 10 Namibian nationalist guerrillas in the north of the territory near the *Angolan border, police said* yesterday. One policeman was killed.—Reuter.

KASHMIR FIGHTS FOR WATER

By Our Singapore Correspondent

Fierce battles fought with axes, sticks and stones for irrigation and drinking water were reported yesterday to have left two people dead and 250, including women, injured in the Kashmir Valley in the past four weeks. But officials denied there have been any deaths.

In southern Kashmir, demonstrators stoned two cars carrying State ministers. They were protesting against authorities, alleged failure to ensure an dequate supply of drinking water and a fair distribution of water for irrigation. Water is scarce because rain and winter snow have been scant.

No optimism in Geneva over arms talks

By THOMAS NETTER in Geneva

THE Soviet Union's chief arms negotiator, Mr Viktor P. Karpov, declared bluntly yesterday that there had been no progress during the past seven weeks at the Geneva talks on nuclear and space arms.

In an unusually sharp statement Mr Karpov cast a pall over the American-Soviet negotiations on medium-and long-range weapons, and the militarisation of space that adjourned on Tuesday until Sept. 19.

This negative Soviet assessment, and a less negative but less-than-optimistic assessment from the American chief negotiator, Mr Max M. Kampelman, later in the day reflect the continued American-Soviet stand-off over the Reagan Administration's space initiative.

The Russians have asserted repeatedly that there can be no progress in Geneva until the United States cancels its research and development plans for space defence.

'No progress'

Mr Karpov's comments came just before a final, one-hour plenary session of all six top United States and Soviet negotiators at the Soviet mission.

When asked by reporters if he was satisfied with the current round, which began May 30, Mr Karpov replied: "No, no. I'm not, because there is no progress."

These comments were the most negative by a Soviet negotiator in Geneva since the *negotiations began on March* 12, and they appeared to reflect continued Soviet intransigence despite the announcement of a planned summit meeting between President Reagan and the Soviet leader, Mr Gorbachev, in November.

Mr Karpov drove the point home in Russian, repeating "There is no progress, no progress, and it is not our fault."

Putting the blame on the United States reflects the June 26 speech of Mr Gorbachev who issued what the United States Department described as a "*thinly veiled threat*" to abandon the negotiations.

Mr Gorbachev said at the time that the United State delegation in Geneva was "marking time" and that continuation of this policy could force Moscow to "reassess its participation.

Mr Kampelman did little to dispel the gloom with his closing statement, although he did not speak of a lack of progress.

Instead it acknowledged that the United States had "recognised from the outset that in a negotiation as complex as this one, an agreement will not be easily or quickly arrived at."

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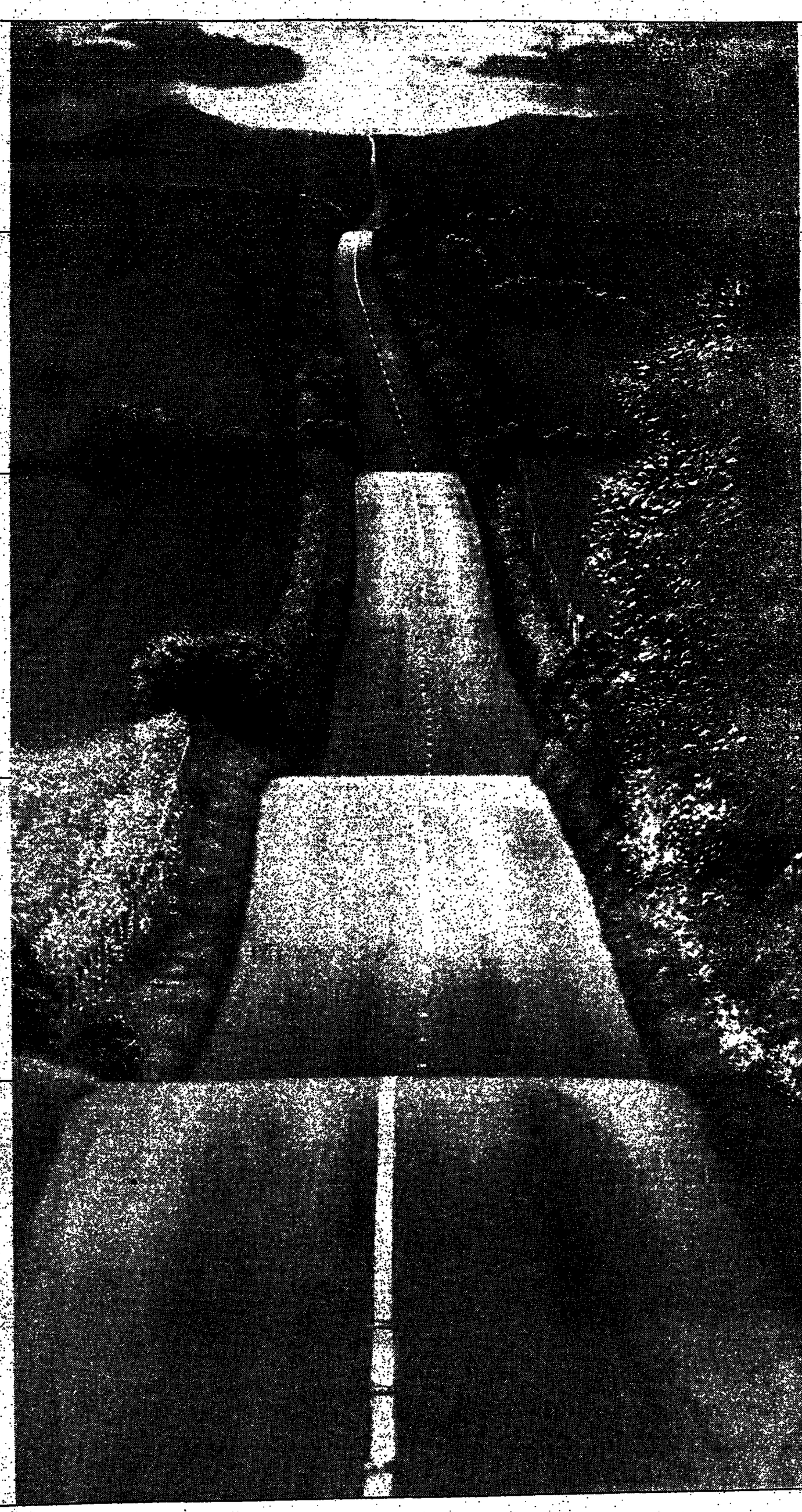

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LONDONERS 'NEED EXTRA £32 A WEEK'

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THE cost of living and working in London as compared with the rest of the country rose by 11·5 per cent. in the year to April, well above the rate of inflation, according to a report published yesterday.

To maintain the same living standard as people in the provinces, Londoners need to earn an extra £1,683 a year or £32 a week gross, it says.

The report, published by Incomes Data Services, a pay monitoring organisation, will certainly be seized on by trade union negotiators to put pressure on employers for increased London differentials.

Most London weighting allowances fall several hundred pounds short of the I D S estimates although that paid to bank employees working within *three miles of Charing Cross* exceeds the sum by £42 a year.

Housing and travel costs were the main causes of the increased financial burden on Londoners, the report states.

Because they pay more for their houses, rising mortgage interest rates have hit them particularly hard. It accounted for more than half the increase in the Inner London allowance *during the year.*

Mortgage payments

For those working in Outer London, where costs have risen even more steeply (by 11·7 per cent. to £687 gross) *higher mortgage payments* were responsible for 60 per cent. of the increase.

The impact would have been more dramatic had the average cost of London rented accommodation not actually fallen during the 12 months period.

The increase in Scottish rates resulting from revaluation of domestic properties north of the border also reduced the differential.

The cost of travelling to work, with increases in London Regional Transport underground and bus fares, also pushed up the relative cost of living in the capital.

The travel element of the weighting has gone up by 6·4 per cent. on the year in Inner London and 12·5 per cent. in Outer London where British Rail fare increases have hit commuters.

The report says that the *differential might have* been higher but for the greater cost of petrol and car maintenance which affected provincial people more than Londoners who use cars less.

'Wear and tear'

Shopping bills and the cost of having jobs done on the house were also higher in *London.*

The report also assesses the extra money which people deserve for the "sheer hassle" of living in the capital—listed as "wear and tear." It covers everything from longer commuting times to extra dry cleaning costs and it went up by 6·3 per cent. in line with the retail price index.

The I D S report is constructed on the basis of the London Weighting Survey carried out by the Department of Employment until 1982. It was dropped partly because the Government regarded it as an inflationary instrument.

Examples of current London weighting allowances are:

Bank employees: A scale ranging from £418 p.a. for those working 16-22 miles from the capital to £1,725 for those working in the centre (August 1984 rates).

Local authority staff: Inner London, £1,248: Outer London, £651.

National Health Service: Inner London, £1,084: Outer London, £648.

Civil servants: Inner London, £1,565: Intermediate, £760; Outer London, £540.

News Round-up

SURROGATE AGENCIES BANNED

THE Government-sponsored Bill outlawing commercial motherhood agencies received the Royal Assent yesterday and comes into effect immediately. The Act prohibits commercial surrogate agencies from operating in Britain or from advertising their service.

Anyone found guilty of controlling or taking part in the management of such a body *will be liable* to a maximum of three months' jail and a fine of up to £2,000. The ban on advertising also carries a maximum fine of £2,000.

The speedy introduction of the Act has been prompted by the Baby Cotton case last January when a wealthy anonymous couple, believed to be American, paid £14,000 to an agency based in Redhill, Surrey, for a baby born to Mrs Kim Cotton.

The Warnock Committee on test tube baby work recommended that commercial surrogate agencies should be banned. The British Medical Association, although opposed to commercial surrogacy, has urged that surrogacy should be made available to some childless couples provided money does not change hands.

Water authorities 'should sit in public'

An all-party committee of M Ps last night called on Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, to consider making it compulsory *for water authorities to* hold their meetings in public. They were the monopoly suppliers of essential services and should be as accountable as possible "consistent with efficiency," M Ps said.

Meetings were held in public until 1983 when the Government introduced changes designed to promote a more businesslike approach. The Welsh Water Authority holds its meetings in public.

St John Ambulance seeks recuits

The St John Ambulance Brigade, some of whose 68,000 unpaid volunteers are on first aid duty at nearly every national and major sporting occasion, is making a plea for more recruits and funds.

A volunteer's uniform and first aid kit costs about £100, which he sometimes pays himself, and he undergoes a tough training course.

Dust mites 'may cause eczema'

Microscopic mites living in tiny dust particles in beds and carpets may be responsible for the eczema which affects thousands of young people, according to researchers at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children.

Dr David Atherton, who is to test an extract which could remove patients' sensitivity to dust mites, said that it was the mite's droppings, floating in the air and landing on a susceptible person's skin, which were thought to be responsible for eczema.

150mph Jaguar

Jaguar yesterday unveiled one of the world's fastest open-top cars, with a reassurance that production would be stepped up to cut delivery times for the £26,995 car, a 150 m p h cabriolet two-seat version of the existing 5·3 litre V12-engined XJS-HE grand tourer, with hide covers, polished elm veneer and air conditioning.

Stranded seal safe

Sammy the seal, who got himself stranded 50 miles inland, was last night safe in a sanctuary. The six-month-old seal pup was found exhausted on a mud bank near Thorpe Marsh power station in Doncaster on Monday. He will be looked after at the Seal Sanctary in King's Lynn ntil fit enough to return to the sea.

Treasure Houses of Britain in Country Life

This is a Number not to miss. The Country Life October 24 issue featuring the superlative 'Treasure Houses of Britain' exhibition at the National Gallery, Washington DC. Book space now in the ideal medium for reaching the top cross-section of opinion-formers. Reproduction is always superb.

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GLC leader shows the white flag

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

MR KENNETH LIVINGSTONE Greater London Council leader, yesterday accepted defeat in his campaign to prevent its abolition.

He hoisted a 100ft banner on the roof of County Hall which said: "G L C—257 days left caring for London."

Lady Porter, Conservative leader of Westminster, and a leading abolitionist, celebrated the Royal Assent for the Bill which does away with the G L C and six metropolitan county councils by freeing a symbolic prisoner from a ball and chain on Westminster Bridge.

Westminster is taking the G L C to court over its aid for the "stress boroughs," which are generally Labour-controlled, because it says that the council raised far more money from the ratepayers than it needed.

This week Westminster obtained an injunction restraining the G L C from transferring about £11 million to the boroughs. The case is likely to be heard at the end of the month.

Untold chaos

Mr Livingstone said yesterday: "Londoners face untold chaos and bureaucracy, worsening services, and higher rates—and they will not be able to do a thing about it."

He forecast that any future Government would be forced to restore a directly-elected body for the capital.

It became clear yesterday at a Labour group meeting of the Association of London Authorities that Labour leaders are split over whether they should accept places on the joint boards which would run services after the GLC and the metropolitan counties cease to exist on March 31 next year.

The London leaders agreed to nominate members to the government body of the Greater London Enterprise Board, which is independent of the Government, but were evenly divided on whether to serve on the board controlling the London Fire Brigade and civil defence.

Mr Livingstone says that Labour members should refuse nomination t othe Government-appointed residuary bodies which would oversee the winding up of the councils.

Backed by Mr Kinnock, Labour leader, he argues that they should serve on the Fire board so that Labour could not be blamed for the ensuing chaos. If they failed to serve, they would also be unable to protect jobs and services.

This line is opposed by half a dozen borough leaders, including Mr Edward Knight, the Marxist leader of Lambeth, and Mr Bernie Grant, leader of Haringey.

The centenarian Lord Shinwell being presented at the House of Lords yesterday with an honorary doctorate of law diploma by Dr J. Steven Watson, Vice-Chancellor of St Andrews University—Lord Shinwell's private secretary when he was Minister of Fuel and Power in the Attlee Government.

Yesterday in Parliament

Aid programme under attack from Kinnock

By WILLIAM WEEKES Parliamentary Staff

THE Live Aid concert to help feed the starving of Africa was praised by Mrs Thatcher and Mr Kinnock in the Commons yesterday during exchanges in which the Opposition leader fiercely attacked the Government's aid programme.

Mrs Thatcher expressed her delight at the "magnificent result" achieved by the pop stars at Wembley and praised the concert organiser, Bob Geldof.

"We congratulate him not only on the result but on the leadership we gave to young people and to humanity everywhere," she said.

Mr KINNOCK described "Live Aid" as "Humanity in Action", and went on to ask the Prime Minister: "By the same token, is it not inhumanity in action when the Government cuts 18 per cent. off the aid budget in real terms in five years, when that same Government reduces the aid budget by three per cent. in real terms—£40 million—in this year and, despite the emergency in Sudan and Ethiopia over the last two years, had not added one single penny to its aid budget except for the Hercules service which you are now thinking of withdrawing?

"With a record like that, what price the brotherhood of man?"

Quick response

The only way in which the Government was prepared to provide short-term aid to the starving was by robbing the hungry of the world as it shuffled the aid budget around.

Mrs THATCHER retorted that she was proud of the Government's record on aid. It was the first to respond to the *need in Ethiopia and very quick* to respond in Sudan.

The Government was also the first to respond to the need for transport to get the food to its destination.

"We were the first to respond and that is what you cannot stand." Mrs Thatcher told Mr Kinnock.

In 1984, Britain provided £248 million for sub-Saharan countries, including £234 million for long-term development. The Government spent £95 million on famine relief in the year ending last March and expected to spend at least £60 million this year, said Mrs Thatcher.

Mr Raison, the Minister for now in Ethiopia considering Overseas Development, was needs for the next few months, especially the need to keep the Hercules service, she added.

BUSES BILL SETBACK IN LORDS

By WALTER ABURN Parliamentary Staff

THE Government suffered a defeat in the Lords last night when Earl De La WARR (C) forced a vote during committee debate on the Transport Bill.

By 119 votes to 103, majority 16, peers reinserted a provision taken out of the original Bill in the Commons.

This gives existing bus operators, the police and local authorities the right to object to a newcomer applying for an operator's licence on the ground that he cannot satisfy some of the Act's requirement.

'Influx' fears

Lord De La Warr said it was indisputable that the Traffic Commissioner had to ensure the applicant's professional competence, firm financial standing, good repute and ability to provide adequate maintenance facilities.

He feared an influx of operators with buses well past their prime. It was vital to ensure good standards and safety.

Lord CARMICHAEL of KELVINGROVE, Opposition spokesman, said the amendment was elementary commonsense.

Lord NUGENT of GUILDFORD (C) said the amendment would prevent any new operator coming in.

Lord BELSTEAD, Deputy Leader in the Lords, said the Bill's intention was to encourage people to run buses—not to put obstacles in newcomers' way.

Precautions were taken before they got into the bus industry and there were checks every five years. The amendment asked too much.

Race laws call is rejected

THE Prime Minister yesterday "totally and utterly condemned" the arson attack which killed a pregnant Asian woman, Mrs Shamira Kassam, and *her three children at their* home in Ilford on Saturday.

But she rejected a call by Mr Harry Cohen (Lab. Leyton) at Question Time in the Commons for an immediate Government guarantee to implement tougher laws to deal with racial harassment.

Mr COHEN said the "monstrous murder" was almost certainly a racial attack.

Mrs THATCHER told him: "I am not yet convinced that we need any changes in the law.

"And, in any case, it would be premature to embark on legislation until the Home Office has received the Commission for Racial Equality's proposals for amending the Race Relations Act following its review of that legislation."

No-strike teachers win pay victory

LABOUR-CONTROLLED Liverpool City Corporation acted "wholly unreasonably" when it stopped a day's pay from teachers who turned up for work during an anti rate-capping strike, Mr Justice MANN, sitting in the High Court, ruled yesterday.

He quashed the decision and declared that teachers who were ready and willing to work should be paid by Sept. 30.

The judge said he was reluctant to make an actual order compelling the Corporation to pay out an estimated £116,000 in wages owed.

He said Corporation members were "well aware" of what might happen if the court's decision was not obeyed.

The judge's ruling was a victory for Mr James Ferguson, secretary of the National Union of Teachers, Liverpool Division, and his wife, Patricia, who is treasurer and teaches at Stanley Park Comprehensive School, Priory Road, Liverpool.

'Hopeless case'

Mr Ferguson said after the hearing: "I understand some other trade unions will be seeking to recover moneys lost during the day of action. They were awaiting today's judgment.

"The Council have thrown away £10,000 of ratepayers' money in what was, for them, a hopeless case. It was money which could have bought books and other materials for schools."

Mr Dominic Brady, chairman of the Corporation's Education Sub-Committee, said: "We have said from the start we intended to pay the teachers.

"This is a very sad decision for Liverpool. I don't think many teachers will rejoice."

The Corporation was ordered to pay Mr and Mrs Ferguson's legal costs and face an estimated total lawyers bill of £10,000.

EX-POLICEMAN POLLUTED DRINK

Angus McInnes, 46, a former detective sergeant with 14 years' distinguished police service, was jailed for a year at Glasgow Sheriff Court yesterday for planting bottles of Lucozade contaminated with urine in stores as an animal rights protest.

He was trapped when samples of his handwriting as a police officer were matched with the writing on statements signed "Animal Liberation Army" sent to the Press.

McInnes, of Muirpark, Partick, Glasgow, admitted placing the bottles in shops in Glasgow, Dundee, Aberdeen, Inverness and Stirling.

RENTS BILL DEFEAT

A Bill to end rent controls, The Rent Acts (Amendment) Bill, introduced under the 10-minute rule in the Commons yesterday by Mr Francis Maude (C., Warwickshire N.), was defeated by 160 votes to 159, a majority of one.

Today in Parliament

HOUSE OF LORDS

2.30: Maximum Number of Judges (Scot) Order; Sporting Events (Control of Alcohol, etc.) Bill, rpt and 3rd rdg; Supplementary Benefit (requirements) Amdt Regs; Wildlife and Countryside (Services of Notices) Bill, 2nd rdg; District Salmon Fisheries Boards (Scot) Bill, cttee.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

2.30: Administration of Justice Bill, rmng stages; Rate Reduction (City of Edinburgh District) Report; Revaluation Rate Rebates (Scotland) Order.

LIVERPOOL CASH WARNING

By PETER PRYKE Parliamentary Correspondent

THE demands of Liverpool City Council for more money from the Government were doomed to failure, Mr KENNETH BAKER, Minister for Local Government, said in the Commons last night.

He appealed to the council to go back on its policy of setting a rate less than necessary to meet its budget and to set a higher rate.

"The simple message to the council is to face up to reality." Mr Baker said. "If it wants to maintain services and see that its staff are paid it must put its finances in order.

"*There is no question of the* Government seeking to undo the Rate Support Grant settlement and increase Liverpool's programmes at the expense of other authorities."

In a debate on Rate Support Grant, Mr Baker claimed that ratecapping had been a substantial success.

A total of 74 per cent of councils were operating within the *Government's guidelines* this year, compared with 60 per cent last year.

In a message to the 107 authorities now on the brink of being ratecapped, he said: "Even at this late hour it is not too late to pull back and avoid the worst consequences of hold-back."

Welcoming the collapse of the Labour campaign against ratecapping, Mr Baker condemned some of the scenes which had accompanied the campaign as "the highly organised brutality of the Fascist Left."

Expenditure contrast

Dr JOHN CUNNINGHAM, Shadow Environment Secretary, said Labour condemned all *violence unequivocally and absolutely*. "It has no place in a democratic community and is inimical to the whole democratic process.

"But the Government cannot evade its responsibility for the social climate and the attitudes often struck by the Prime Minister herself, with her aggression and uncaring attitude, which can *only be described as provocative* in the extreme."

He contrasted the fall in local government expenditure with the massive increase in public expenditure.

Rate Support Grant had gone down and down, and the total accumulated loss to councils since 1979 as a result of the cuts was a staggering £16 billion.

"These are real cuts that hurt most people, as councils of all political persuasions are caught up in this Government's financial vice."

'GLAMORISING' OF DRUGS CONDEMNED

By Our Parliamentary Staff

Books which glamorised the taking of drugs were attacked by Mr DAVID HARRIS (C., St Ives) in the Commons yesterday.

He singled out for particular criticism the bestseller "Descent from Xanadu" by Harold Robbins, which, he said, glamorised drug-taking among tycoons.

Such books made the fight against the misuse of drugs more difficult, he said, drawing "this trash" to the attention of Mr Fowler, Social Service Secretary.

ROYAL ASSENT FOR 25 ACTS

The Local Government Act, abolishing the Greater London Council and its six metropolitan county counterparts, was among 25 Acts which received the Royal Assent yesterday.

Among the others were the Road Traffic (Production of Documents) Act, the Gaming (Bingo) Act, the Prohibition of Female Circumcision Act, the Controlled Drugs (Penalties) *Act and the Representation of* the Further Education Act, the Food and Environment Act, the Surrogacy Arrangements Act and the Rrepresentation of the People Act.

Thatcher pledge on interest rates

By Our Parliamentary Staff

INTEREST RATES would be kept at whatever level was needed to maintain downward pressure on inflation and no higher, Mrs THATCHER told the Commons yesterday.

The Prime Minister also said she had no reason to think that the current value of the pound was adverse to British industry.

A Conservative backbencher, Mr NICHOLAS WINTERTON (Macclesfield), said the advantage to British industry from a substantial reduction in interest rates would outweigh any disadvantage to the value of the pound.

He urged Mrs Thatcher to have a word with the Bank of England and to get the British *banking system* to act in the interests of British industry.

Mrs THATCHER said there were many interests that had to be considered in the determination of interest rates.

"When the pound went down *seriously it was very damaging* not only to the reputation of Britain and British industry but also to inflation.

"We shall keep interest rates at whatever level is needed to maintain downward pressure on inflation and no higher than that."

Mr ROY JENKINS (Soc. Dem., Hillhead), a former Labour Chancellor of the Exchequer, asked Mrs Thatcher what she planned to do, to stop the exchange rate repeating its "disastrous 1981 effect on British industry."

The PRIME MINISTER said she had no reason to think that the present exchange rate was adverse to British industry.

When the pound was higher against the dollar, raw materials and semi-fabricated components came in at a lower price.

When the pound was lower against the dollar, exports became more competitive but it was not advisable to rely on the exchange rate for competitiveness.

RAIL FAULT CAUSED 2 CRASHES

By JOHN PETTY Transport Correspondent

SEPARATE crashes in which one passenger train plunged down an embankment and another overturned against a bridge were caused by tracks collapsing due to metal fatigue, according to official investigations.

It happened in certain types of *clamp, known as fishplate* joints, which hold rails to sleepers. British Rail is starting a huge programe of checking and replacement.

The clamps are of a type which are partly buried. They were introduced in the early 1970s when the maximum axle load was increased on some routes.

The cracks happened where they could not be seen *by track* workers, who were cleared of any blame.

The first crash was at Pitlochry in Scotland on Sept. 22, 1983, when a night sleeper from Glasgow to Inverness was derailed at a speed of between 40 and 45 mph. Some coaches went down the embankment and 28 people were hurt.

While the inquiry into that crash was still in progress 14 months later, the 7.05 a.m. Hereford - Paddington express was derailed at 75 mph in a cutting at Pershore. One coach hit a bridge and two others turned over, coming to rest at an angle in the cutting. Two people were hurt.

The inquiries show that the fishplates had cracked earlier, causing the track *to collapse* as the trains went over them.

Railway Accidents at Pitlochry and Pershore. H M S O £5·50.

STANSTED TRAIN LINK CURBED

British Rail is being forced to scale down its plans for a fast and frequent train *link from St* Pancras to an enlarged Stansted Airport because of pressure from Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary.

He has told BR this is too ambitious. Now a much more limited service is being studied, involving an electrified link into the existing Liverpool Street-Cambridge line.

A D C APPOINTED

Group Captain G. H. Rolfe has been appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, in succession to Group Captain R. Humphrey.

Publicans switch from banks

By A. J. McILROY

MANY of Britain's 40,000 *publicans are switching* their business accounts from the major banks to building societies and the Post Office.

The National Union of Licensed Victuallers' Associations, their trade organisation, has protested to the major banks about "crippling" charges for handling cheques and other transactions.

A spokesman for the group said banks listed some 20 different charges ranging from processing cheques and handling money to dealing with standing orders and preparing statements.

The charge for handling money varied from 54p to 42p per £100, depending on the branch, he said.

"You might say we are calling time on the banks," said Mr Colin Haydon, spokesman for Dorking licensed victuallers.

"Every cheque paid at a publican's restaurant costs the landlord a bank handling charge of 30p. Enquiries about a customer's status cost £5·50 plus V A T every time."

MORE HOSTELS 'WOULD EASE JAIL CROWDING'

By Our Crime Correspondent

Mr Brittan, Home Secretary, was urged yesterday to finance more hostels for non-violent prisoners to cut the growing prison population. A record 48,000 people are now in jail and the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders has urged funding for between 1,500 and 3,000 additional hostel places.

The average annual cost to the Home Office for a place in a Nacro housing project is about £1,250. It cost £12,500 a year to keep someone in prison. Voluntary organisations running hostels play a "crucial role" in easing pressure on the criminal justice system, says Nacro, and it is "extremely disturbed" at a Home Office freeze on developing new hostels.

One of the proposals put before Mr Brittan by prison staff is another bulk early release of non-violent prisoners. The Prison Governors Association has asked him for an urgent meeting.

DEATHS, IN MEMORIAM

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RANDALL.—On July 15, 1985, at Battle Hospital, Reading, EDWARD ALFRED, of Spencers Wood, Reading and of Amberal, Basingstoke. Funeral will be at St Michael's Church, Spencers Wood, on Friday, July 19, at 11 a.m.

RANDELL.—On July 16, 1985, after a long illness borne with courage and dignity at his home, 2, Willow Court, Thornton, near Blackpool, GORDON ALFRED, the dearly loved and loving husband of Joan Marie, loving father of Anthony (U.S.A.), dearest father-in-law of Ruby, dear brother of Olive, Edna and John, brother-in-law of Joyce. Funeral strictly private. Donations please to Motor Neurone Disease Association, 38, Hazelwood Road, Northampton NN1 1LN or The British Heart Foundation, 5, Castle Street, Liverpool L2 4SW.

REEVE.—On July 15, peacefully, HARRY G. K., aged 76 years, of Hastings, Sussex, formerly of South Wales and East Suffolk. Funeral Monday, July 22. Arrangements Hinkley, Hastings 431461.

RONAL.—On July 13, peacefully at home after a long illness, ALEXANDER RONAL, L.L.D., A.I.Mech.E., the dearest husband of Ann. Funeral service at Tunbridge Wells Cemetery on Friday, *July 19, at 12 noon.* Family flowers only, please.

ROOM.—On July 14, 1985, peacefully at home in Hove, GRETA LESLEY, beloved wife of CECIL GEORGE ROOM, mother of Eric, David and Caroline and grandmother of Daniel, Alex-Marie, Sarah, Gabrielle, Jessica and Bethany. Service at St Philip's Church, New Church Road, Hove, on Friday, July 19, at 2:15 p.m., followed by cremation. Flowers and inquiries to Hanningtons, funeral directors, 4-6, Montefiore Road, Hove, tel. Brighton 778733.

RUBERY.—On July 13, peacefully at her home, NORAH, aged 90 years, of West Malvern Road, Malvern, loving mother of Anthony, Michael and Bridget, mother-in-law of Michael and Sylvia and a devoted grandmother. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Malvern on Monday, July 22, at 2 p.m., followed by cremation. Flowers to Hollands Funeral Services, Malvern.

SCHAVERIEN.—On July 15, 1985, JULIANNE (Jundy), of Seaford, formerly of Rottingdean. Thank you for so many flowers and kind thoughts during her long illness, suffered with cheerfulness, patience and courage. Private funeral has taken place. No letters, please.

SEYMOUR.—On July 15, passed away peacefully, BARRY NOEL, beloved husband of Marjorie and kind father of Pat and Roger. Will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Service at Flax Bourton *Parish Church*, 11.30 a.m., Friday, July 19, followed by private cremation. Donations, to Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, W.C.1.

SHAW.—On July 12, at William Harvey Hospital, Ashford, EMILY LILIAS (Lilas), beloved wife of James and much loved mother of Anne and Michael. Funeral at Charing Crematorium, on Friday, July 19, at 4.30 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Imperial Cancer Research, c/o T. W. Fuggle & Son, 20 Ashford Road, Tenterden, Kent.

SMART.—On July 13, FREDERICK G., of Hemingstone, Suffolk, formerly of Dartford, dearest husband of Nora for 55 years. Donations in aid of Hemingstone Church welcomed.

SMITH.—On July 12, 1985, at the Royal Homoeopathic Hospital, London, E. BERNARD SMITH, aged 59 years, husband of Audrey (Terry), formerly Operations Director of Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd, Hong Kong. Funeral service, Biddenden Church, Friday, July 19, at 2 p.m., followed by cremation at Charing.

STAMP.—On July 15, peacefully in hospital at Beckenham, GEORGE FREDERICK STAMP, M.D., aged 68 years, beloved husband of Betty and father of Ian, of Bessels Green, near Sevenoaks. Private cremation service. Service of thanksgiving to be held at St Botolph's Church, Chevening, near Sevenoaks, Kent, on Friday, July 26, at 11.30 a.m. *Inquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons,* Sevenoaks 450203.

STRAIN.—On July 11, 1985, peacefully at home, ERNEST DOUGLAS, aged 73 years, much loved husband of Marjorie and father of Janet, Gillian, and Sally, dear grandfather of Jonathan, Emma, Christopher, Barnes and Paul. Private cremation (by his request), has already taken place. Please, no letters.

TAYLOR.—On July 13, IVY (née Morel), very dear wife of Bernard and much loved mother and grannie. Funeral service at Plaxtol Church on Friday, July 19, at 3 p.m., followed by cremation at Tunbridge Wells. Family flowers only, but if desired donations to Oxfam, c/o Sears Funeral Service, 21, High Street, Borough Green, Sevenoaks.

THOMAS.—On July 15, after a short illness, JOHN OLIVER SOUTHERNWOOD THOMAS (Jack), aged 79, dear husband of Valentine (Bubbles). Funeral Monday, July 22, 2 p.m., East Chapel, Southampton Crematorium.

THOMPSON.—On July 15, GEORGINA ANNE, widow of Major R. N. Thompson, M.C., and loving mother of Stella Hughes-Hallett, and the late Dr Mervyn Thompson.

TRUCKLE.—On July 13, suddenly and peacefully at home, Old Portsmouth, PATRICK KENNETH, aged 78, beloved husband of Aline, father of Susan and Margaret. Funeral service Portsmouth Cathedral, Tuesday, July 23, 2 p.m., followed by private cremation.

TURPIN.—On July 15, suddenly at home, Maj. JOHN RICHARD TURPIN, M.B.E., (R. Signals), late K.O.Y.L.I. Ret'd.), dearly beloved husband of Betty, much loved father of Stephen, Jane and Jackie, dear brother of Winnie, and loved by his family. Funeral service and Cremation at York Crematorium Friday, July 19, at 10.30 a.m.

VINCENT.—On July 12, 1985, at Cuckfield Hospital, aged 70 years, HERBERT LAUGHLAND "G," much loved husband of Joy. Service at 2.30 p.m., July 19, All Saints, Lindfield, West Sussex. No flowers. Donations to Missions to Seamen, 29 East Street, Chichester.

WALKER.—On July 16, peacefully at home, Jo, beloved wife of Rowland. She will be greatly missed by her seven children and 19 grandchildren who were constantly in her thoughts. Private cremation in Taunton, on Friday, July 19. Memorial service at Orchard Portman Church, to be announced later.

WALKER.—On July 15, 1985, at Peterborough Hospital, MURIEL ELEANOR, aged 85 years, previously of Worthing, mother of Ken and Jill and grandmother of Rachel, Martin, Richard and Benjamin. Funeral service on Monday, *July 22, at Park Road* Baptist Church, Peterborough, at 12 noon, followed by cremation.

WARWICK.—On July 14, peacefully at Mount Alverna, Guildford, CYRIL WALTER, in his 85th year, dear husband of Dolly and much loved father of Peter and Angela. Funeral private. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Baltic Exchange Charitable Society, 24, St Mary Axe, London, E.C.3. A memorial service will be arranged later.

WEBSTER.—On July 15, peacefully at home, JOHN, dear husband of Angela and loved father of Patrick and Jane and dear grandfather of James, Nicholas and Alexander. No flowers. Donations may be sent to League of Friends, Surrey County Hospital, Guildford. Funeral service 10.30 a.m. Wednesday, July 17, St Thomas More, Bramley, followed by cremation at Guildford Crematorium.

WHIFFEN.—On July 15, of cancer in St Christopher's Hospice, 51, Lawrie Park Road, Sydenham, S.E.26, SIDNEY GEORGE THOMAS, aged 80 years, of Croydon, late of Coldstream, much loved husband of Maie and father of John. Service at Croydon Crematorium, Thornton Road, on Monday, July 22, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers, please, but donations, if desired, to the above Hospice.

WHITEHEAD.—On July 15, 1985, peacefully at the Priory, Ottery St Mary, Devon, Col. HERBERT NEVILLE. Cremation at Exeter and Devon Crematorium, Thursday, July 18, at 3.15 p.m.

WILSON.—On July 15, 1985, in Kendal, E. ANITA WILSON (Beryl), elder daughter of the late George and Ethel Wilson, dearly loved sister of Charles and sometimes Director of Bowring Brothers Ltd, St Johns, Newfoundland. The cremation will take place at Lancaster Crematorium, on Thursday, July 18, at 4 p.m. No flowers, please.

WILSON.—On Monday, July 15, 1985, suddenly at 40, Lord Mayor's Walk, York, HERBERT REGINALD WILSON, M.A., Priest, in his 84th year. Deo Gratias for 58 years of Priesthood. His loss is greatly mourned by his wife Barbara and many friends. Requiem Mass in the Minster, on Friday, July 19, at 12.30 p.m.

WYATT.—On July 16, 1985, peacefully at Port Bredy Hospital, Bridport, MARGERY, aged 84 years, of Luscot, North Allington, Bridport, dear mother of John and Ann, a dear grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Swyre, on Friday, July 19, at 2.30 p.m., followed by interment. Cut flowers or donations for the Dorset Hospice, may be sent, c/o A. G. Down Ltd., 66, South Street, Bridport.

YARDLEY.—On July 12, 1985, peacefully at Folkestone, ALICE (née Penlan) aged 101, widow of Harry, dear mother of Jack and the late Marjorie.

ZENTLER-GORDON.—On July 10, suddenly whilst playing tennis, HARRY EMANUEL, aged 73. Funeral at St Marylebone Crematorium, today (Wednesday, July 17) at 3 p.m. Flowers or donations to Cancer Research.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

MANNING.—The Family of the late Mrs M. E. (Peg) MANNING, M.B.E., send grateful thanks to all friends who sent donations amounting to £469, to the Midland Bank, Fishguard, for the Paul Sartori Foundation Haverfordwest in her memory.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

PEARCE, JOYCE.—Funeral Friday, July 19, 3 p.m., Christ Church, Woking, *followed by interment at* Brookwood Cemetery. Family flowers only. Donations to Ockenden Venture, Woking.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ENGELS, ERNEST.—A Memorial Service will be held at Chelsea Old Church on Tuesday, July 23, at 3 p.m.

PARISH.—A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of ALAN RAYMOND PARISH latterly acting chairman of W. S. Atkins Group Consultants, is to be held in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, on Monday, July 22, at 12 noon. Details, please, from Paul Jowers, Woodcote Grove, Epsom, Surrey (tel. Epsom 26140).

TAYLOR.—A Memorial Service will be held to the *memory of DOROTHY* HAROLD CAMPBELL TAYLOR (Spooky), at the Parish Church, Thorncombe, near Chard, Somerset, on Friday, July 26, 1985, at 2.30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

BIRCH, MAY (née Grant).—Darling, our 65th Anniversary. My deepest love as always.—Harold.

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DOCK, MARJORIE.—Remembered always with everlasting love.—Bob and Family.

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HODGSON, NOEL.—So dearly loved by Maureen and Ann.

HORSFALL-ERTZ, ETHEL (née Howe) last widow of Eugen.—In loving memory on her Birthday, July 17, from Elisabeth, Priscilla and Monica "I bide beside the ancient down, By the everlasting sea, whose heart is set on the busy town, May go his way for me."—S.J.H.

KING, DOROTHY A. G.—Lovingly remembered by those she loved, especially today, her Birthday.

MILLARD, DENNIS WILLIAM.—A dear and much loved Husband; Father and Grandfather. Remembered today and every day.—Muriel, Melanie, Martin and Grandchildren.

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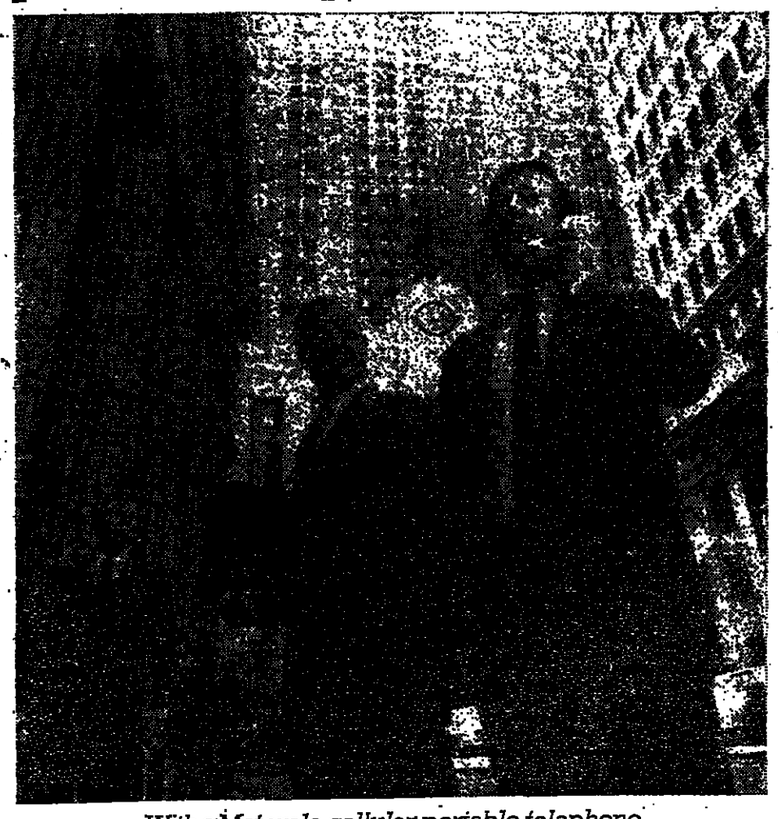

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SULTANATE OF OMAN

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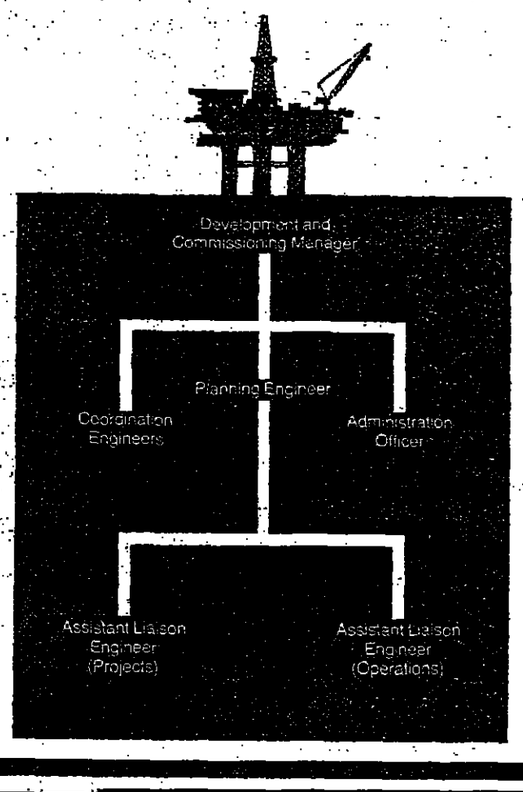

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– Documentation

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SULTANATE OF OMAN

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

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AREA MANAGER—SALES

Autoflow Sales Ltd. is the sales/marketing function of Autoflow Engineering—the undisputed leader in the manufacture of *specialised machines for the spectacle* and scientific lens industries.

We need a Sales Engineer to expand and develop existing home and overseas sales territories in Europe. The company is currently in the process of launching its next generation of machinery which will revolutionise the industry world wide. Although specific product knowledge is not essential, *you should have an engin*eering background. Aged 25-35, you should be numerate, highly motivated and innovative. Knowledge of German is essential and at least one other foreign language would be useful.

Excellent rewards and exciting prospects with an expanding company await the successful applicant. send full C.V. to:—

Mr. A Kendall-Tobias, International Sales Manager, Autoflow Sales Limited, Lawford Road, Rugby, CV21 2UX. Tel. (0788) 76311.

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Fuji Photo Film (U.K.) Limited, will start a direct operation for Fuji ¼" and ¾" video cassettes and audio cassette tapes in the U.K. from the 1st November, 1985 after an amicable agreement with Bell & Howell AV Ltd., Fuji sole distributor. Fuji U.K. now invite applications for the following important appointments based in London.

DIVISIONAL MANAGER Ref: 382

AUDIO AND VIDEO DIVISION FUJI PHOTO FILM (U.K.) LTD.

Highly attractive salary + 2.3 litre car + attractive benefit package

An experienced and highly competent Divisional Manager for the above division, (½" 8mm and ¾" video cassette and audio cassettes) reporting directly to the Managing Director, is required with a sound knowledge of the Magnetic Recording industry.

You will assume full responsibility for the total management of a structured team which will include financial, sales and marketing disciplines. You must utilize these resources effectively within agreed budgets to optimise the performance of the division.

As a successful business manager, you will possess the vision and ambition to take advantage of the enormous potential.

SALES MANAGER Ref. 384

The Sales Manager for the above division, reporting direct to the Divisional Manager, will be responsible for motivating and controlling a National sales team selling into major independent and multiple accounts.

As a highly competent manager, you will have a proven track record of achieving sales objectives via sound organisational and motivational skills within the consumer magnetic/photographic products industry.

MARKETING MANAGER Ref: 385

The Marketing Manager for the above division, reporting direct to the Divisional Manager, will contribute to the ongoing analysis and evaluation of the company's business in order to formulate strategies for the continuous development of existing markets and products through innovative marketing. Through aggressive marketing planning, the company has achieved a dominant world market share in this highly visible industry and the successful candidate will have demonstrated a successful track record in all aspects of the marketing mix ideally within the consumer magnetic/photographic products industry.

ADVERTISING & SALES PROMOTION MANAGER Ref. 386

An experienced Advertising & Sales Promotion Manager is sought, whose responsibilities will include total implementation of aggressive advertising and sales promotion activities. These have helped to place Fuji in the forefront of the high technology image information industry including photo-sensitized papers, photo finishing equipment, motion picture film, professional video, floppy discs, medical and industrial X-Ray film and equipment.

Reporting to the Managing Director, you will have responsibility for the production of advertisements, literature, sales promotional material and exhibitions, together with the control of budgets and schedules.

It requires the ability to work under pressure, meet tight deadlines and liase with point of sale suppliers, agencies and designers to accomplish a complete promotional support package.

CREDIT CONTROL MANAGER Ref: 387

The above position represents an exciting opening for an experienced Credit Controller to be responsible for all aspects of the credit control operation, covering large numbers of individual accounts.

This is a new management position which will appeal to candidates with sound managerial abilities and who have several years experience preferably in a centralised credit environment.

You will be a self starter, energetic and will play an important part in the company's exciting growth plans.

Competitive salaries will be offered, together with attractive benefits for the above important positions as expected of a company at the forefront of its field.

For early consideration of these genuine career opportunities, please telephone Walton-on-Thames (0932) 246321 quoting the appropriate reference number.

Knipe (Recruitment) Limited

Lloyds Bank Chambers, 83 High Street, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, KT12 1DT.

Tel: Walton-on-Thames (0932) 246321/2/3/4.

GENERAL SALES MANAGER

Short lead-time Capital Goods

c £22,000 + car — West of London

The product, simply engineered but individually specified, offers solutions to problems faced by virtually any company, of any size or sector. Turnover, approaching £8 million, comprises individual sales which vary from £2,500 to £1 million. The market is approached through both a direct sales force and a distributor network, plus personal handling of large and vital house accounts. Sales growth and the availability of capital now postulate further development to take full advantage of the market; the MD, currently directly responsible for the Sales activity, will handle this crucial project personally. We are therefore looking for a General Sales Manager, probably late thirties/ early forties, to motivate and control the existing sales effort and to stake a claim for a Sales Director position within twelve months. Future plans certainly make such a position vital. Our description of the product and operation will immediately ring bells for the right candidate, who will be a sales professional who knows something about marketing (rather than the reverse), a committed European with a background in Methods, Industrial Engineering or Materials Handling and a track record that suggests the ability to keep customer confidence high during a period of change. Male or female candidates should send full career details to Terry Ward, quoting reference 5040/TRW.

LINK — 13/14 Hanover Street, London W1R 9HG. Telephone: 01-493 5788.

Link International Search & Selection Ltd.

DEALER SERVICE MANAGER

Tunbridge Wells — **c.£16,500 + profit share + car**

Success in the car importing business, in a quota environment, does not come easily. It requires a totally different approach. We have built our reputation upon value and performance, backed up by superior after sales service—hence the importance of this particular position.

The Dealer Service Manager heads a team of 8. They are responsible for providing complete technical back-up to the dealer network on current and future models, the development of customer relations and the maintenance of our Warranty systems.

To achieve this the man or woman appointed will almost certainly be a graduate engineer, aged between 30-45, with considerable experience within the automotive industry. To gain the support of our dealers you will need to have that rare blend of commercial acumen, technical expertise and management perception. You must clearly be capable of sustaining good communications at all levels within the company, and the automotive industry as a whole.

Just the qualities that have seen us grow into one of the UK's most profitable companies. And just the qualities that should see your career flourish within the broader MCL Group; the holding company which also includes FSO Cars, Automotive Distributors, MCL Finance ... and with exciting expansion plans for the future.

Interested? Then please write enclosing a detailed cv, sufficient to make an application form unnecessary, to Geoff Haffenden, Personnel & Training Manager, MCL Group Limited, Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 8BS.

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BOWATER ZENITH WINDOWS LTD

is one of the market leaders in the double-glazing industry and a subsidiary of Bowater Industries PLC. The growth plans of the business necessitate the appointment of a

PRODUCTION CONTROL MANAGER

(based in East Anglia)

Applicants must be suitably qualified with particular experience of short lead time production deadlines; knowledge and experience of computerised production control systems essential.

The successful candidate will have prospects matched by the Company's ambitious expansion programme, and will enjoy benefits commensurate with this most responsible post, including relocation to this most pleasant part of the country.

Please write with full c.v. to:

Mrs J. Green
Personnel Manager
Bowater Zenith Windows Limited
Caley Close
Sweet Briar Industrial Estate
NORWICH, NR3 2BW

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Dupre Vermiculite Limited, the most recent member of the Seaton Group of Companies, has embarked on a programme of expansion and capital investment for its long established range of Vermiculite and Micafil products.

We now wish to appoint a senior person to our management team based at our headquarters in Hertford to concentrate on the formulation and execution of future policy and strategy.

Candidates, preferably graduates aged between 28-35, should have a good record of commercial experience probably associated with chemical or mineral products marketed to a wide range of industries.

An attractive salary is offered together with company car; prospects for career advancement are excellent both within the company and throughout the group. Please apply to:

J. H. Dennis, Managing Director,
Dupre Vermiculite Limited,
Tamworth Road,
Hertford SG13 7DL.
Tel: (0992) 32541.

Opportunities in Electronics Design

North London — **c. 12K**

Our client is a household-name British manufacturer currently seeking to fill a number of openings for engineers at a senior level.

Project Leaders

Several opportunities exist at this level, and staff who possess previous experience in some of the areas detailed below are invited to apply for these important positions in the Electronics Design Department.

Microprocessor hardware, assembler programming, filters, RF amplifiers, power control and switching and also some communications work. Although some of the development is on microprocessor based products, successful applicants will be expected to head up design teams to work on a wide range of new designs, which will also use conventional analogue and digital techniques, tailored for high volume assembly.

Applicants will be expected to possess several years experience in electronic designs for mass production, and will currently hold a senior design position, or will already have progressed to the level of project leader with their current employer.

Production Engineering

Senior Product Design Engineer

Working in the Company's Design Department, the successful applicant will be responsible for project management, from the initial design concepts received from the Marketing Department, through product development, to the point where the design is handed over to the Production staff on the factory floor. Applicants should be between 35 and 45 years of age, possess a background of both mechanical and electronic or electrical engineering, and should currently hold a senior position.

Applicants should have some experience in designs for mass production. The successful candidate will be working a team of engineers on new projects and an innovative and creative approach is therefore very important, as is the ability to motivate and control staff.

Responsibilities will include liaison with Marketing, Manufacturing and Technical Departments as well as potential outside suppliers and consultants.

Company benefits are extensive and include Pension and Sick Pay Schemes, Share Option Scheme, five weeks holiday and subsidised Catering facilities.

Please write briefly in strict confidence, outlining experience, qualifications, age and current earnings to:

Mr Martin Johnstone

Park Christopher Associates

BCM PCA London WC1N 3XX

(Please list those organisations to whom your application should not be forwarded.)

DOW* NATIONAL SALES MANAGER

Agricultural Chemicals

Murphy Chemical Company Ltd., Hitchin — **c.£20K Prestige Car**

Within a worldwide context, Dow Chemical Company are strongly positioned amongst the world's largest producers of Agricultural Chemicals. To maintain and develop their international influence, Dow are totally committed to research and n.p.d. The Group has historically recognised the importance of the U.K. marketplace which led to the acquisition of the Murphy Chemical Company by Dow in 1981. Murphy Chemical's trading strategy is set to develop markets and sell the results of Dow research to British Agriculture.

Our brief is to search for a high calibre Sales Manager whose prime task will be to actively contribute to the management of Murphy Chemical. Key responsibilities will be the achievement of profitable sales of agricultural products to farmers, professional growers and agricultural distributors through effective leadership, training and motivation of a sales team comprising Regional Managers and the field sales force.

It's a task calling for a man or woman with a sound professional background, coupled with a highly successful sales record including second-line management experience with a major manufacturer, rather than a distributor. A sound appreciation of marketing strategy is essential together with proven negotiating skills. A key requirement is the ability to establish and maintain total involvement with both the sales team and customers and be fully aware of business trends in the agricultural market. Preferred age: 30–35 and, ideally, a graduate.

In addition to a salary of around £20,000 the successful candidate will be offered a share option scheme and a prestige car.

You will be required to reside within easy access of Head Office and appropriate relocation expenses will be covered where necessary.

Write with full personal and career details quoting ref: CY/2024 to Mr. Keith Illingworth, Illingworth & Associates, Executive Selection Consultants, 2 Church Street, Burnham, Bucks. SL1 7HZ. Telephone 06286 – 64081.

*TRADE MARK OF THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY.

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PURCHASING MANAGER

Home Counties — £16,000 plus car

Our client is a highly successful company in the construction materials industry. The Purchasing Manager is an important member of the management team controlling a small department and responsible for an annual spend of up to £10 million – much of which is overseas.

Candidates, aged between 28 and 35 years, must be highly motivated professional purchasing executives educated to at least HNC level. They will have several years' experience of purchasing and high value contract negotiations. The successful candidate will be expected to make a significant contribution to the company's profitability.

In addition to a competitive salary, attractive benefits include a company car, private medical insurance, a contributory pension scheme and relocation expenses if required. There are excellent prospects for increased responsibility and career development.

Please write with a full C.V. to Richard Brasher at the address below or telephone for further information.

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MKA SEARCH INTERNATIONAL LTD
Berkshire House
Queen Street
Maidenhead
Berks SL6 1NF
Tel: 0628 75956

Mechanical and Electrical Engineers

A wide-ranging engineering challenge

This is an opportunity to join the team responsible for the whole range of electrical and mechanical engineering services in all types of police buildings. You will be involved in projects from conception to completion, working alongside building professionals of other disciplines. The work will specifically involve design responsibility for 'in-house' projects; liaison with clients and professional departments on design requirements and the management of direct contracts and sub-contractors.

You must have a degree in mechanical, electrical or building services engineering or have passed the Engineering Council's Part 2 examination in appropriate subjects or have an equivalent or higher qualification. You must also have an aggregate of at least 5 years' recognised study, professional training and experience.

Salary: £9185-£12,035 (including £1365 Inner London Weighting) with starting salary according to qualifications and experience.

RELOCATION EXPENSES MAY BE AVAILABLE.

For further details and an application form (to be returned by 9 August 1985) write to Civil Service Commission, Alencon Link, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 1JB, or telephone Basingstoke (0256) 468551 (answering service operates outside office hours).

Please quote ref: T(M)85.

Metropolitan Police Office

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DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERS

Sea Containers is a market leader in the world-wide Marine Container Industry. Our concern to maintain this enviable position has now led to the need to appoint two design engineers to assist in the expanding development programme.

Research and Development

The position involves creative design and development of electrical and electronic control systems for use in ISO marine refrigerated and tank containers. Applicants should have had at least 2/3 years practical experience in an engineering environment and should be familiar with product research and development techniques. The post will involve some travel within the UK and occasionally abroad. From time to time this may include spending considerable periods of time away from home.

Procurement and Technical Services

Responsibilities include the involvement in the design of all types of ISO Marine Containers, in close liaison with container manufacturing companies building equipment under contract. Applicants must have had experience in a design office and be capable of converting an original idea into a practical design. Knowledge of pressure vessel design requirements would be an advantage. The post will involve spending extensive periods of time away from home when production is in progress.

The successful candidates in both cases, should be aged 25-35 and qualified to BSc in Engineering, or equivalent. An engineering apprenticeship would be an advantage in the Procurement and Technical Services position.

Salaries will be in the range £9500 to £13,000 per annum together with benefits commensurate with those you would associate with a leading international company.

Please write with full career details to:

Miss R H Saunders
Deputy Personnel Manager
Sea Containers Services Limited
Sea Containers House
20 Upper Ground, London SE1

sea containers

Sales & Mktg Manager

Specialist Chem. Engineering

West Midlands — *Salary neg. + car etc*

The client company is a very successful independent engineering company specialising in a range of equipment for the chemical and process industries.

A Sales and Marketing Manager is now sought to develop a division of the company which has yet to realise its full potential. Reporting to a young and energetic Board the new manager will have broad responsibilities covering marketing strategy, sales and product development. Candidates should be under 40 with a strong engineering background and a successful record in technical sales and marketing. Experience of selling pumps, hydraulic or control equipment to the process, petro-chemical or water industries being particularly relevant.

Career potential is excellent with directorship prospects within two years for someone with real ability and the ambition to succeed.

Applicants, male or female, should either write or telephone quoting reference B2634.

Philip Guy
Mason & Nurse Associates
126 Colmore Row
Birmingham B3 3AP
Tel: 021-236 0066
Offices in London & Birmingham

Mason & Nurse Selection & Search

BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERS

To join us in our BASINGSTOKE and PLYMOUTH offices and contribute to our expanding work programme. We need Chartered Mechanical and Electrical Engineers, age 35 plus, to lead design sections in Basingstoke and several Mechanical, Electrical and Public Health Engineers to join design teams in both offices. Candidates for these posts should be graduates, but those with H.N.C. or equivalent and six years relevant experience will be considered. Opportunities to work overseas occur periodically if desired.

For further information and application form please write to or phone: **Mrs Doreen Lowe, Staff Services, Scott Houghton, Scott House, Basing View, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 2JG. Tel. Basingstoke (0256) 461161.**

Technical Sales

Building projects

Angus, a world leader in the £multimillion fire protection industry, designs, manufactures and sells a comprehensive range of specialist equipment to local government, architects, the MoD, petrochemical, offshore oil, marine and general industries worldwide.

Based within easy reach of London and reporting to the Regional Sales Manager, you will develop business with architects, consultants and H&V engineers. An experienced Sales Representative, preferably over 25, you must have sold engineering or technical products, ideally to these specifiers.

A competitive salary, commission, car and benefits are provided. Career prospects are excellent.

For an application form, please contact the Personnel Department, Angus Fire Armour Limited, High Bentham, Lancaster LA2 7NA.
Telephone: 0468 61611.

ANGUS Fire Fighting Equipment

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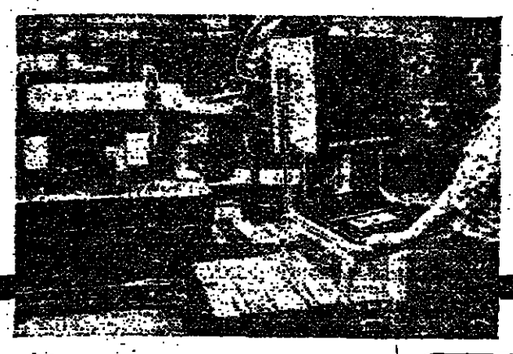
A key appointment in PLANT ENGINEERING & MAINTENANCE

Baker Perkins group companies at Peterborough are significant international forces in the printing and food machinery industries, with activities encompassing the design, manufacture and marketing of capital plant and machinery, and a continual high investment in new products, processes and technology.

The Plant Development Manager heads a well established plant engineering function, and is responsible for providing an effective and comprehensive plant engineering maintenance service to all areas of the factory and offices on a 40 acre site.



Due to a major re-organisation programme, we are now looking for an experienced and qualified engineer to support him. This is a challenging appointment, involving a responsibility for a wide range of civil, mechanical and electrical project work, including the installation and commissioning of all new plant and machinery, and plant improvements: maintenance of all production machinery, buildings and services: and energy conservation projects.

The successful candidate will report to the Plant Development Manager, and be a member of a small professional team. He/she should be educated to degree level, and be a member of an appropriate institution. There is scope for personal development and advancement.

A competitive salary and benefits package will be offered, including generous assistance with relocation where appropriate. Peterborough, is an attractive cathedral city with an excellent choice of housing, education and leisure facilities.

Please apply with full details of age, experience and current salary to Keith Ransom, Personnel Officer, Baker Perkins PMC Limited, Westfield Road, Peterborough PE3 6TA. Telephone 0733 262000.

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ENGINEERING-THE TOTAL CONCEPT

Cellular radio has arrived!

Join Racal for the most exciting sales opportunity this decade.

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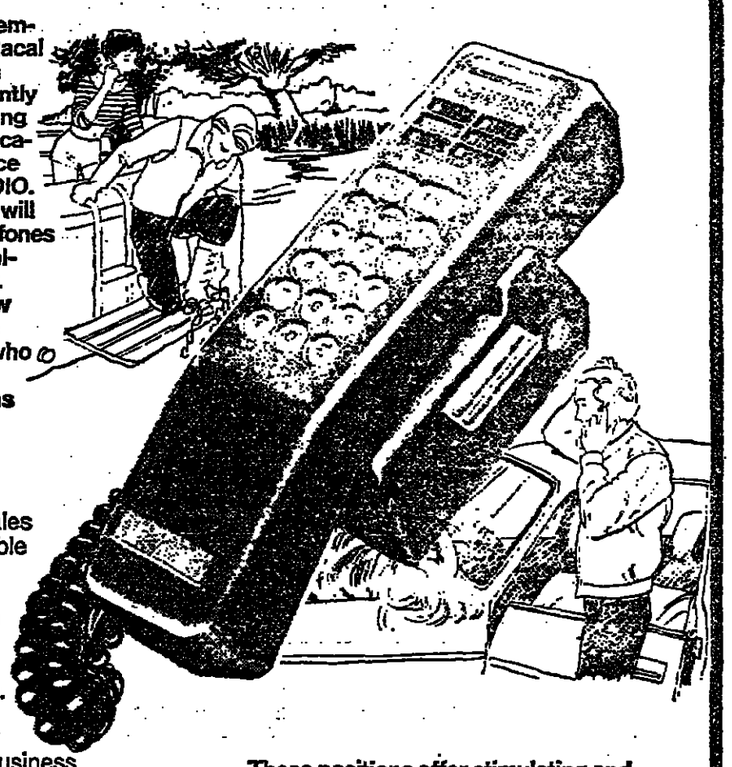
Racal-Vodac Limited, a member of the highly acclaimed Racal Electronics Group situated in Newbury, Berkshire was recently formed to sell the most exciting development in telecommunications to enter the market-place this decade–CELLULAR RADIO.

Specifically the Company will sell mobile and portable Vodafones to be used over the new Racal-Vodafone telephone network.

To establish this brand new business we seek to recruit a number of men and women who are EXPERIENCED SALES PROFESSIONALS to join us as



General Account Managers

Reporting to a Regional Sales Manager, you will be responsible for selling Vodafones and the Vodafone Service throughout the marketplace. Your role is to provide a highly professional image reflecting a level of service that is second to none.

Candidates must have a successful and proven track record within a professional business sales environment. A background in mobile communications sales would be an advantage.

Trainee Sales

We are offering tremendous training and career opportunities to trainee sales people. Some sales environment experience, or an interest in yachting, would be useful.

These positions offer stimulating and unique opportunities in a new market using new technology. They carry a first class remuneration package and company car, over five weeks' annual holiday, pension and free life assurance.

Please forward a c.v. in confidence to:
Mr. G. A. Prince, Personnel Officer,
RACAL-VODAC LIMITED, The Courtyard,
2–4 London Road, Newbury, Berkshire.

RACAL
VODAFONE

Senior Building Surveyors

£11,373-£12,219 p.a. inclusive or £11,373-£12,900 p.a. inclusive

Pay award pending
Plus essential car user allowance

The London Borough of Croydon has a large building stock which includes 20,000 Council houses, 130 educational establishments and 220 public buildings, including a theatre, swimming pools, libraries and a number of listed buildings.

Finance has been made available recently to upgrade maintenance standards of the buildings and to carry out several large refurbishment projects.

We now seek three Senior Building Surveyors to lead a group of Surveyors and Technical Officers in inspection; specification preparation; tendering and contract arrangements and site supervision through to final accounts. This will include the preparation of detailed technical reports, together with the need to liaise fully with both the client department and contractors. You will already have a good record of achievement in the area of building surveying in either the public or private sectors with particular emphasis on team leadership and commitment to training.

If you have R.I.C.S., I.O.B., Construction Surveyors Institute or H.N.D. (Building), your application will be most welcome, although candidates with other qualifications and many years' experience allied to success in the industry, will also be considered.

Benefits include Local Government Superannuation Scheme, car loan facilities and a subsidised staff restaurant. In approved cases, relocation expenses will be reimbursed up to a maximum of £1,000 plus removal costs. Croydon is one of the most modern towns in the country and has excellent shopping facilities and amenities.

Further information about these vacancies, together with an application form, can be obtained from Mrs. S.M. Whydle, London Borough of Croydon, Taberner House, Park Lane, Croydon, Surrey. Telephone: 01-686 4433 Ext. 2611. Closing date for receipt of completed application forms: 9th August, 1985.

These posts are exempt from LMGSC procedures but applications from employees of the G.L.C. or M.C.Cs with relevant experience will be welcome.

CROYDON
an equal opportunity employer

Meat & Bacon Processing Factory Manager

Leicestershire Co-op Society Limited wish to appoint a Manager for the above factory which is involved in the processing and production of a wide range of cooked meats, sausage, pork products, fresh meat, pre-packed items and a central bacon slicing operation.

The unit supplies the needs of 5 superstores and 90 food shops with the above product groups.

The factory is modern in design and fittings, embracing carcass flow-line butchery unit, sausage making plant, cooked meat curing plant and the recent introduction of a bacon slicing unit.

Applications for the position are invited from men or women with suitable experience in the meat processing industry. Their ability with regard to the maximisation of profitable production, manpower utilisation, quality control and product development will be evident from their recent work history.

We offer attractive terms of employment which include a contributory pension scheme and discount on non food purchases. Salary will be by negotiation and a car will be supplied with terms for private use. Assistance will be available towards relocation expenses.

Applications should be made in writing stating relevant details of experience, to be received not later than 1st August, to:
Personnel Manager
Leicestershire Co-op Society Limited
4 Union Street
Leicester
LE1 4HA

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Exciting opportunity for Sales Engineers

As one of the world's fastest growing companies in the pneumatics industry, Origa offers tremendous opportunities for ambitious Sales Engineers.

If you are a good all-rounder able to demonstrate a high degree of motivation and real management potential this could be just the opportunity you have been looking for.

The ideal applicants would be aged around 25–40 and have extensive knowledge of the pneumatics industry. However, any Sales Engineers who believe they have the necessary determination and commitment to succeed in a demanding environment should not be deterred from applying.

An extremely attractive remuneration package coupled with long term career opportunities awaits those who can significantly contribute to Origa's continued growth.

If you've got what it takes to match our standards contact Mrs T. Mansell for an application form.

Origa Limited, Ashchurch Industrial Estate, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire GL20 8TD
Telephone (0684) 298977.

ORIGA

Electrical Engineer

Precision Measurement/Meter Examiner

There is currently an opportunity *in Birmingham for an Area Electricity* Meter Examiner who will be responsible for the resolution between consumers and Electricity Boards and whose decision will be final and binding on all parties.

You will operate from the Birmingham Area Office and should be prepared to reside in an area not too remote from Birmingham since most of the meter disputes will be in the Midlands and North West regions, although duties in other areas will be necessary.

You must have a degree in electrical engineering or have passed the Engineering Council's Part II examinations in appropriate subjects or have satisfied the Engineering Council's requirements for registration as a Technical Engineer or have an equivalent or higher acceptable *qualification*. You should, preferably, be a corporate member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and must have a wide experience of electricity meters and precision electrical measurement.

Starting salary between £10,980-£13,410 according to qualifications and experience.

RELOCATION EXPENSES MAY BE AVAILABLE.

For further details and an application form (to be returned by 9 August 1985) write to Civil Service Commission, Alencon Link, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 1JB, or telephone Basingstoke (0256) 468551 (answering service operates outside office hours).

Please quote ref: T/6602.

The Civil Service is an equal opportunity employer

Department of Energy

PRODUCTION MANAGER - UK COAL RECOVERY DIVISION

Negotiable Salary plus Exec. Car

RYAN INDUSTRIAL FUELS LIMITED, part of a major international group, has embarked on a programme of expansion of its coal recovery operations. Recent developments have increased its operation to seven sites covering Scotland, the Midlands and South Wales, employing over 200 individuals who *contribute to a production level in excess of 400,000 tonnes per* annum. A rare and challenging opportunity now exists to join this successful and growing Company.

Reporting to the M.D., you will be responsible for achieving optimum productivity throughout the U.K. operation. Aged 30-45 years, and ideally with a civil or mechanical engineering background, you will have significant managerial experience in either coal recovery, open-cast coal mining, quarrying, or a related earth-moving industry. You need to be self-sufficient, profit-orientated and committed to the level of mobility that will be necessary to achieve your U.K. objectives.

Commencing salary is negotiable and will not be a limiting factor in the selection process. The benefits package is commensurate with the seniority of the appointment. If appropriate, relocation assistance will be provided to enable the successful candidate and his family to settle in one of the several superb residential areas near the Company's headquarters in Cardiff.

Please forward a comprehensive C.V. stating current salary, to: Peter M. Flood, Group Recruitment Services, 9.11 The Hayes, Cardiff CF1 1NU.

MANAGERIAL OPPORTUNITIES SAUDI ARABIA

One of Saudi Arabia's leading organisations invites applications for the following senior positions:

Ref. P.1.

PARTS MANAGER

A vacancy exists for an experienced manager who can demonstrate a thorough understanding of inventory, departmental control. However, greatest emphasis will be placed on the ability to contribute to a planned expansion of sales. Experience could have been gained in automotive, agricultural or after market sectors.

Ref. S.1.

TERRITORY SALESMEN

Vacancies exist for capable experienced salesmen handling medium/heavy trucks, agricultural machinery, and/or diesel generators. Applicants should have an in depth knowledge of their respective industries and be capable of negotiating and selling in an environment which is interesting and yet tough, and competitive. Experience of the Saudi Arabian market would be advantageous.

Ref. S.2.

SERVICE SUPERVISORS

A vacancy exists for experienced supervisors to control and develop important agricultural equipment, service operations on tractors, combines, balers, pivots, pumps and engines. In addition to the day-to-day control, the successful applicant should be prepared to perform a service marketing function to increase both turnover and profitability.

The company, who has completed a major internal re-organisation is committed to increase market penetration through all departments and will offer an attractive remuneration package to the right candidates.

Write enclosing full C.V. to:
Mrs Cora Laven,
c/o Compecroi Limited,
9 Upper Belgrave Street,
London SW1X 8BD

Mention "S.A." and above reference number on left hand corner of envelopes.

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Working for London

Quantity Surveyors & Assistants

Openings have arisen at various levels within the quantity surveying teams engaged in preparing estimates, bills of quantities and final accounts for building and landscaping works undertaken as part of the Council's programme of development for Recreation and the Arts. Vacancies are based at Chesham House, 30 Warwick Street, W1.

Knowledge of building construction, landscape layout and civil engineering works is essential for all these posts.

Level of appointment will be according to qualifications and experience.

Quantity Surveyor — Team Leader
£13,650-£15,450 inc. Ref: RA6884.
Quantity Surveyors
£11,835-£13,650 inc. Ref: RA6885.
Requires corporate membership of RICS or equivalent broad-based expertise.
Assistant Quantity Surveyor
£9,657-£11,835 inc. Ref: RA6886.
Requires degree in Quantity Surveying or wide equivalent experience.
Write to RA Staff Section, Room 522 or tel: 01-633 3751. 1666.

Plant Manager

Jenkins Lane Transfer Station

To oversee the efficient operation of the station, including receiving and processing the throughput of waste, electrical and mechanical maintenance, industrial relations and health and safety functions. Line management responsibility is for some 40 staff.

An engineer qualified to at least HNC level, with several years management background of process or heavy industrial plant and waste management experience is sought. Good communication skills and a knowledge of current relevant legislation are essential.

£12,057-£14,322 inc. Ref: HE6943.
Write to HE Staff Section, Room N180 or tel: 01-633 4256/4595.
Application forms must be returned by 2 August 85.

To obtain your form write to the appropriate Staff Section, quoting the ref. and room number on the envelope, to: GLC, The County Hall, London SE1 7PB. Or telephone the number given.

The GLC is an equal opportunities employer. We invite applications from women and men from all sections of the community, irrespective of their ethnic origin, colour, sexual orientation or disability, who have the necessary attributes to do the job.

LONDON AGAINST RACISM

Job sharing arrangements are open to all applicants.

SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Required by Resinous Chemicals Limited, a major manufacturer of synthetic resins and polymers for the surface coatings, G.R.P. and adhesive industries.

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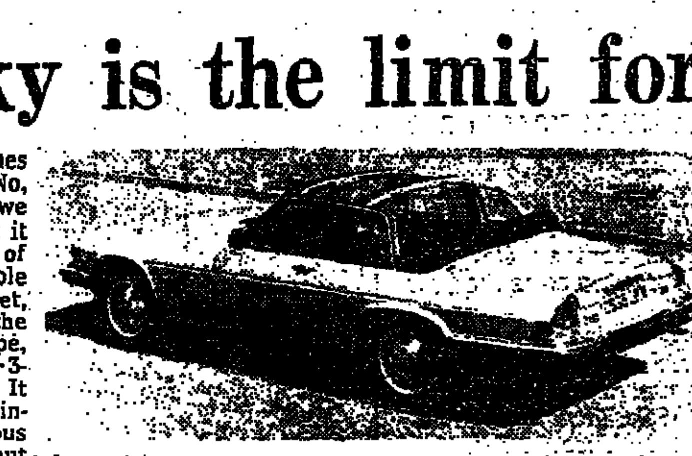

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Until now, the cabriolet has only been available, in limited numbers, fitted with the new 3·6-litre, six-cylinder engine that will be used in the forthcoming XJ40 saloon. With the arrival of the 12-cylinder version, production of the cabriolet is being switched from specialist coachbuilders to the main Jaguar plant in Coventry, so that output can be increased to meet the demand.

While the six-cylinder model is available only with a five-speed manual gearbox, the 12 has a three-speed automatic transmission as standard. As Jaguar's sales and marketing director, Mr Neil Johnson, pointed out, many customers around the world were used to automatic transmissions, and he said there was a significant demand for a big-engined cabriolet from devotees of the V12. As a result, the company expects to sell a record number of about 8,000 XJSs this year, 10 years after its introduction.

Yet only four years ago, sales of the XJS Coupé had slumped to just over 1,000 a year, and the model was on the brink of being axed. One of the first successes of Jaguar's new boss, Mr John Egan, was in resuscitating the big coupé and promoting international demand for it.

One of the last places where one can make full use of such a car's tremendous performance is the autobahn network in West Germany.

I was fortunate in being able to enjoy it on a perfect summer's day. After a heady morning's drive, which had included bursts of more than 140 mph in ideal conditions, the driver emerged as unruffled as the car itself.

Driver and passenger are well protected from back-draught, and the massive roll-bar contributed to the impressive feeling of body strength and rigidity, even with the roof panels removed and the rear hood folded down. I could not detect a trace of the scuttle shake that afflicts open cars (even, dare I say, the Rolls-Royce Corniche convertible.

In fact, apart from just a hint of vibration when idling, it was often difficult to believe that the car was connected to an engine at all. Only the yelp from the big Dunlops as the car surged away gave a clue to the 295 brake horsepower that was being unleashed.

Despite its considerable length, 15ft 8ins, the cabriolet is strictly a two-seater, since the space behind the front seats is given over to a railed luggage compartment—much of the boot space is taken up by the removable rigid roof panels when the top is open.

Occupants are cocooned in leather and burr elm veneer, with full air-conditioning on tap when needed. Such refinement does not come cheap, but at £26,995 the V-12 Cabriolet is not extravagantly expensive in its class. Nor, in the context of its performance, is 15 miles a gallon in high-speed driving, or 18·6 mpg in easy cruising.

Some sports car drivers might, of course, find the cabriolet too sheltered and too civilised to be fun. They will have to wait for the new "F"-type—successor to the fabulous E-Type—which has been on the drawing board for years and is now under active consideration.

But before that, the company has to make a success of the all-important new XJ40 saloon. The existing saloons, powered by the venerable XK engines, have never been more successful than they are now, and the company has been engaged on an extensive programme of detailed refining of both the new car and its 3·6-litre, four-valves-per-cylinder engine.

There has been some criticism of the relative lack of high-speed smoothness in the new engine, as installed in the XJS 3·6 Coupé, only some 2,000 of which have been sold. But Mr Trevor Crisp, in charge of Jaguar engine development, assured me that it will be a more refined installation in the XJ40, as a result of the continuing development programme.

Jaguar is the jewel in the crown of the British car industry, so it is essential that the XJ40 should be right from the start. When that will be is still a matter for speculation. I reported here in April that the launch date had been put back until next year's Motor Show in October. The latest word from Jaguar is that that would indeed be a "sensible" date.

Racy Mercedes

EVEN WITH upwards of £20,000 to spend on a new car, the choice is not as easy as might be thought. Apart from the new Jaguar, Renault has just announced the price of the latest R25 Turbo, nudging £20,000 with extras such as leather upholstery, and Mercedes has just launched the right-hand-drive version of another very desirable model.

This one has British overtones, because it has a high performance engine specially developed by the famous Northants engine designed, Cosworth Engineering, which is best known for the record-breaking Grand Prix V-8 it built for Ford and is developing a new formula one engine for Ford, as well as a turbocharged Sierra.

For Daimler-Benz, it has designed and produced a new 16-valve cylinder head for the "little Mercedes" 190, which, in this tuned version, develops a remarkable 185 brake horsepower from a mere 2·3 litres capacity. Top speed goes up to 142 mph, with a 0-60 mph acceleration time of just over seven seconds.

The Mercedes-Benz 190 E 2·3-16, to give it its full, rather cumbersome title, is priced in Britain at £21,045 but for this, you get something that even the big Jaguar lacks—anti-lock braking. It also has a racing-pattern five-speed manual gearbox, limited-slip differential, alloy wheels, electric windows, self-levelling rear suspension, power steering and central locking.

While racing drivers James Hunt and John Watson were demonstrating the car's capabilities on the circuit at Donington Park last week, I took one out on the road and found it a very quick but still pleasantly civilised machine. For a car which such sporting pretensions, it was surprisingly quiet and docile, apart from a hard edge to the engine note when accelerating rapidly. There is very little road noise, while the tightened suspension gives an even better ride in fast driving than the standard models do.

Right-hand-drive Mercedes-Benz 190E 2·3 - 16.

Although it is decked out with front and rear aprons, side skirts and a boot-top spoiler, all intended to reduce drag and improve stability, it manages to look businesslike without acquiring a "boy racer" image. Thanks to the efficiency of the Cosworth engine modifications, it still be reasonably economical, despite its considerable performance; according to the official figures, it is still capable of 24·4 mpg on the urban driving cycle, 45·6 mpg at a steady 56 mph and 35·7 mpg at 75 mph. It could be a perfectly practical car, as well as enjoyable everyday one, for those fortunate enough to be able to afford it.

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MUSIC / Cheltenham Festival

Russian premiere

THE FIRST performance of a brand new Russian work in the presence of the composer—certainly the Cheltenham Festival is not lagging behind the times. After a lucid introductory talk by his London pianist-friend Susan Bradshaw, Edison Denisov—one of the two leading composers in Russia today—answered questions from the audience informally and with the help of an interpreter.

Later on at the Pittville Pump Room his Sextet, completed last July, was performed by three woodwinds and three strings of the Capricorn Ensemble who had commissioned the work with funds from the festival.

Having revealed a close familiarity with all Western avant-garde trends during his lifetime—he is 57—Denisov stressed his readiness to use any technique sporadically as the need arises but without adopting any of them as his creed. Thus in the Sextet the occasional solo appearance of a melodious 12-note row is just a special feature nothing systematic. It is the polyphonic episodes metrically infinitely variegated that are of the essence both in the Tranquillo and in the subsequent Allegro agitato.

Yet curiously enough throughout the whirrs of vertically seemingly uncontrolled textures one seems to experience one and the same ever present harmony, a stationary tonality merely implied by a no more than implied pedal point—possibly, dare I say, not intended by the composer himself.

By way of a telling contrast there followed Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony, his last major tonal composition which shows him being driven towards atonality through the pressure of ever-closer successions of harmony change. Webern's reduction for piano quintet is no advantage since it operates against audibility of detail as did some rather rushed tempi.

Of the other eminent Russian composer, Denisov's friend Alfred Schnittke, we heard the Piano Quintet of 1976. So compellingly single-minded a mood of grief pervades the minor mode of the first four movements it was no surprise to learn that he wrote it in memory of his mother's death. And all the more touching is the ultimate, infinitely tender acceptance—in a tender major—of fate inevitability.

Peter Stadlen

Handel's 'Alcina', Spitalfields

"ALCINA," the first presentation of an organisation called Opera Stage, and another part the Handel tercentenary celebrations, proved something of a mixed pleasure at Christ Church, Spitalfields, on Monday night.

In the first instance, the event had been rather oversold, the new group giving itself altruistic but somewhat pompous aims. Then Frank Corsaro, the producer on this occasion, seemed not wholly to trust Handel's appreciable powers as a dramatist. Setting the work arrestingly in the middle of the church with the audience on two sides (not the best arrangement for hearing), he introduced extraneous symbolic figures, mimed by a dreaded and expendable Movement Group, into a drama that can manage very well without it.

Happily, they departed for the more important arias, thus allowing a highly talented cast to fend more than adequately for itself. Indeed, under Mr Corsaro's intelligent direction, the singers proved just how unnecessary were the primping and posing of the extras. The singers' skills as actors and vocalists must lie at the heart of any interpretation of a Handel plot.

This one concerns the waxing and waning of Alcina's magic powers through which she has ensnared Ruggero, himself eventually rescued from her clutches by his beloved Bradamante, disguised as her own brother.

The American soprano Arleen Auger took the taxing title role. As the bewitching seductress of Act I, she was unconvincing, not to say embarrassing, but once deprived of her lover this Alcina took on dramatic, even tragic status in her second-act out-pourings, which were delivered with full-blooded tons and expressive power. These represent Handel at his greatest in finding music to fit a psychological state of mind.

Miss Auger made us aware of that, and even persuaded us to forget Joan Sutherland's famous interpretation of the role at Covent Garden and elsewhere.

As Ruggero, Della Jones was her usual splendid self, making the music really work through the text in a forthright, appealing, tireless portrayal of her long role. As Bradamante, Mira Zakai was hardly less proficient. Eiddwen Harrhy (a fiery Morgana), Maldwyn Davies, Patrizia Kwella and John Tomlinson held together the sub-plot with Handel singing of resource and feeling.

Richard Hickox and his City of London Sinfonia, using original instruments, were unfailing secure and sensitive throughout the extended evening. A record from EMI is promised; it should be worth hearing.

Alan Blyth

Ron Cook and Susan Colverd in "The Dillen" at The Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon.

THEATRE / The Dillen

History on the hoof

REVIVAL of "The Dillen" at (or rather based at) The Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon, goes with a swing, even in the rain. This is ambulatory theatre. You follow the actors round an assortment of outdoor settings, pausing here and there for a scene to be enacted in the story of a local man's struggle for existence from the 1880s to the end of the 1914-18 War.

His origins are declared in the studio where we meet his grandparents and see how his mother and father came together. Then we move out into the yard and gardens by the Avon to see his early days as an orphan, at school and pea picking (which calls for one member of the Royal Shakespeare Company to be hounded into the river with a splash).

And as his career continues with an apprenticeship as bricklayer, we are ushered along a defunct railway line, shown his first encounters with women, his prowess at football, his dismissal for insolence at work, his going for a soldier, the eight children of his marriage, his experiences on the Somme and his return home wounded—all of it in terms of trundling street theatre, with the audience craning its neck for a view of episodes in fields or on temporary stages.

There's a huge, largely local, cast in attendance to lend the enterprise the atmosphere of a communal tribute to a typical working-class figure of the period. Here is social history in abundance from the horse's mouth — George Hewins who, before he died in 1977, dictated his recollections to his grand daughter-in-law, Angela.

With Ron Hutchinson, the playwright, and Barry Kyle as director, these moments from a hard but never despairing life jog on for 3½ hours, and without as far as I could see, more than a few of us dropping out enroute. It may not sound much fun but the community feeling is infectious, reaching a climax on the way home from the trenches as we hold torches to light us back to the war memorial, singing "Abide With Me," dampened by the weather but never by the jolly spirit of makeshift drama in which the hero (molly coddled boistrously by Peggy Mount as an accomodating guardian), is played by three actors, sometimes simultaneously — Ron Cook, Dickie Arnold and young Matthew Hill. Mr Cook is particularly memorable, moving and ironical.

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Eric Shorter

DANCE /

Festival Ballet

HARALD LANDER, in his ballet "Etudes," provided choreography in a very challenging variety of styles for the ballerina taking the leading role; but Eva Evdokimova coped superbly with all of them in the Festival Ballet performance of this work at the Coliseum on Monday night. Indeed, this was both the most poetic and the most technically dazzling performance of this role I have seen since Lander created the ballet in 1949.

At one stage the leading ballerina has to suggest Taglioni dancing near the beginning of Act 2 of "La Sylphide": this gave Evdokimova no problems for her interpretation of "La Sylphide" in Peter Schaufuss's production of the Bournonville masterpiece for the Festival Ballet is incomparable. It seemed quite natural for such a magical creature to call into existence four other Sylphides, and to move among them as a light-hearted and light-footed Queen.

Led by Janette Mulligan, the dancers in "Night Creature" did their best to bring out the special qualities demanded by the jazz choreography of Alvin Ailey, skilfully matched to the marvellous jazz music of Duke Ellington. Unfortunately the music sounded rather stodgy compared with that played by the Duke and his musicians.

The youthful Roland Petit created a few delightful ballets in the Forties, but he soon lost his first fine careless rapture, and ballets created by him in later decades — such as "L'Arlésienne," given its first London performance on Monday, suffers from pretentious melodrama. This ballet should be dropped from the repertoire as soon as conveniently possible.

Fernau Hall

Louis Kentner

LOUIS KENTNER hardly spared himself in his 80th birthday recital, given before the Duchess of Kent at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Monday evening, for, not content with the demands of Beethoven's Opus 110 and the Liszt Sonata, he concluded with all four of Chopin's Ballades.

Mr Kentner was in leonine form throughout and even when technique proved momentarily fallible under pressure, the intensity of vision was always palpable. In the Beethoven Sonata, for instance, the lyrical incandescence of the first movement drew noble playing, as did the plangent cantabile of the third, and if there was a momentary lapse of concentration during the final fugue, the sonata closed with impressive radiance.

The Liszt places the player under somewhat different pressure, of course, and here Mr Kentner rose admirably to the physical demands. It must be admitted that some of the work's more furious statements were a little blurred in texture but the heroic glitter which emerged from the interpretation was most powerful, and the heart lifted when the great subsidiary theme made its various entrances.

The recital reached its peak with the sequence of Chopin Ballades, for these elicited beautifully paced interpretations; the singing qualities of some of the greatest of all Chopin's melodic inspirations were shaped with a majestic simplicity and with the most luminous tone, while the inspirational flow of the structures unfolded with touching naturalness.

Anthony Payne

Stockholm Sinfonietta

THE Stockholm Sinfonietta made its London debut on Monday night, and where more geographically appropriate than at the Baltic Exchange? Given that this City trading house is much more internationally active than its name would imply, it seemed nonetheless fitting that it should not only host the orchestra but also that it should be the venue for a concert which featured two Scandinavian works, Nielsen's "Litle Suite" and Ingvar Lidholm's "Music for Strings".

For these, as for Dvorak's "Serenade", the Sinfonietta brought a company group of strings (five first violins, four seconds, three each of violas and cellos, and a double bass) with additional brass and wood-wind for Haydn's "Trauersymphonie".

And the sound was impressive indeed. In past years during the City of London Festival, this cavernous turn-of-the-century building, with its marble, steel and glass construction, has not provided ideal acoustics. But perhaps Biffex was the right prescription. This year a new wooden complex has been built on the floor of the Exchange to deal with freight (Baltic International Freight Exchange: Piffex), and as a result the acoustics have warmed.

Certainly, the orchestra's crisp alertly co-ordinated playing, its neat, incisively reinforced accents and its urgently projected solo lines made a much more emphatic impact than has been the case before in this hall.

Mind you, the orchestra itself was remarkable for its technical and artistic accomplishment. The conductor, Jukka-Pekka Sarast, finding a greater degree of confidence and rapport than has been evident in his recent concerts with London orchestras, drew playing of an emotional immediacy and, for all one's slight reservations about speeds in the Dvorak, a vivacity which was infectious throughout.

Geoffrey Norris

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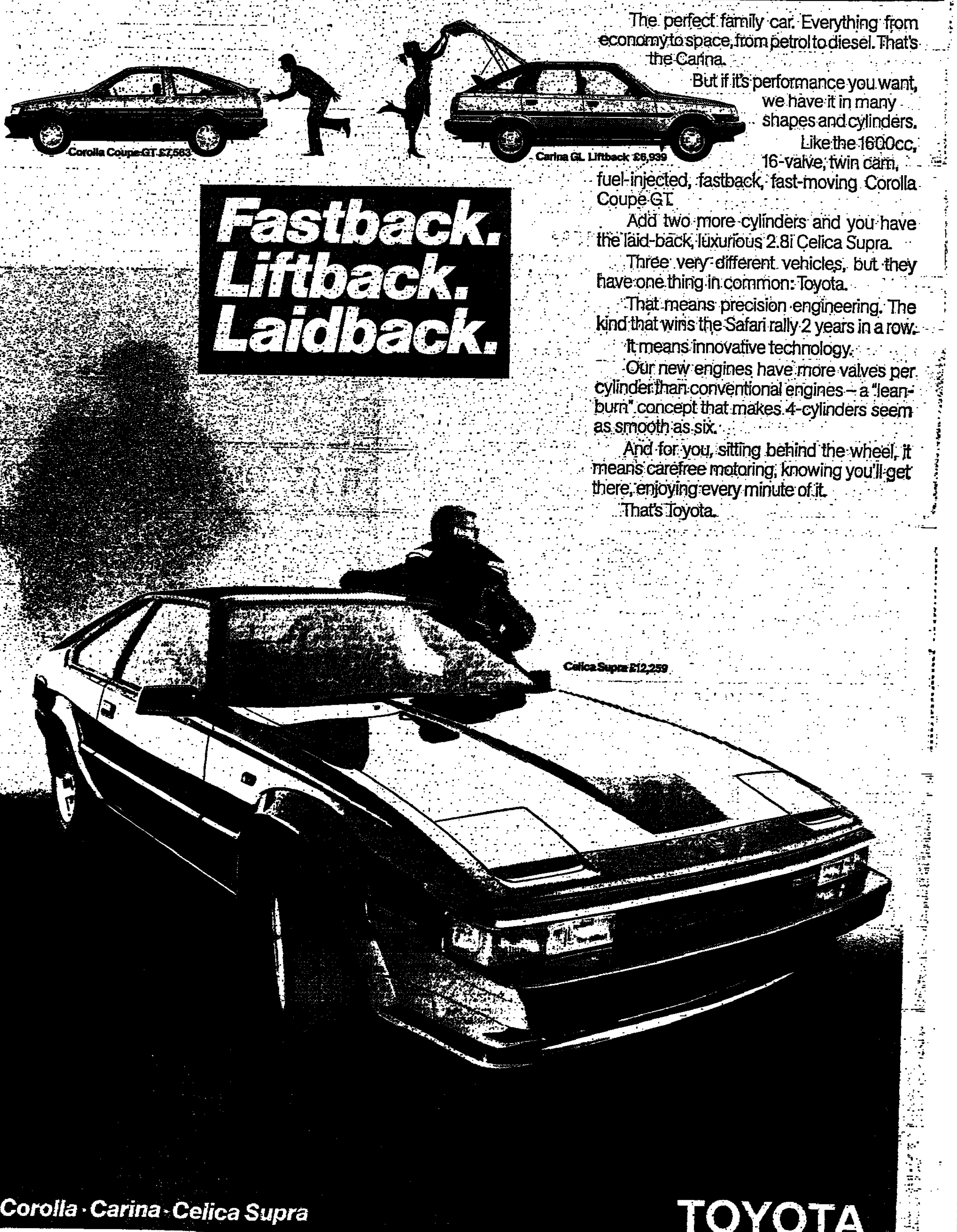

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COURT AND SOCIAL

Court Circular

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, July 16.

The Right Reverend John Taylor (formerly Bishop of Winchester) had the honour of being received by The Queen this morning and delivered up to Her Majesty the Badge and Chain of Office upon relinquishing his appointment as Prelate of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

The Bishop of Winchester (the Right Reverend Colin James) had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty handed to him the Badge and Chain of Office upon his appointment as Prelate of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Colin Cole (Garter King of Arms) was in attendance.

Mr T. D. O'Leary (British High Commissioner to New Zealand, Governor of the Pitcairn Islands and British High Commissioner to Western Samoa) and Mrs O'Leary had the honour of being received by The Queen.

His Excellency Archbishop Bruno B. Heim was received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon relinquishing his appointment as Apostolic Pro-Nuncio from the Holy See to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency Dr Wahbi Abdul-Razzaq Al-Qaraghuli and Mrs Al-Qaraghuli were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Iraq to the Court of St James's.

The Right Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty this evening.

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Saltash Station in the Royal Train this morning.

His Royal Highness, Trustee of the National Maritime Museum, visited the Cotehele Quay Museum and the Tamar Sailing Barge "The Shamrock" at Cotehele House, near Calstock, Cornwall.

Afterwards, The Duke of Edinburgh visited the Naval Base and the Royal Naval Museum, Portsmouth.

His Royal Highness, attended by Captain Ian Gardiner, R.M., later travelled to London in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Duke of Edinburgh Colonel, Grenadier Guards, this evening dined with past and present members of the Grenadier Guards on Queen's Guard, St James's Palace in the Officers' Mess, Queen's Guard.

Major the Hon Andrew Wigram was in attendance.

The Queen was represented by the Lord Maclean (Chief Steward of Hampton Court Palace) at the Memorial Service for General Sir Rodney Moore (late Chief Steward) which was held in the Guards Chapel today.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by General Sir David Fraser.

KENSINGTON PALACE, July 16.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, attended by Mrs George West and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, R.N., arrived at Middlesbrough Station in the Royal Train this morning.

Their Royal Highnesses visited Enterprise Centre, Silver Street, St Hilda's Middlesbrough and afterwards visited Sunnyside Primary School, Manor Farm Way, Coulby Newham.

In the afternoon, The Prince of Wales, Patron, the Abbeyfield Society, accompanied by The Princess of Wales, visited the Abbeyfield House at 33 Belle Vue Grove, Middlesbrough.

Their Royal Highnesses later travelled to Royal Air Force Northolt in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince of Wales, Patron, The Philharmonia Orchestra, accompanied by The Princess of Wales, this evening at Buckingham Palace hosted a Concert given by the Orchestra to celebrate the Tercentenary of Bach and Handel.

The Prince of Wales was represented by Colonel Gerard Leigh at the Memorial Service for General Sir Rodney Moore which was held in the Guards Chapel today.

KENSINGTON PALACE, July 16.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this afternoon at a performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court.

The Hon. Mrs Whitehead was in attendance.

Her Royal Highness was represented by Lady Aird at the Memorial Service for General Sir Rodney Moore which was held in the Guards Chapel today.

KENSINGTON PALACE, July 16.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Miss Diana Harrison at the Memorial Service for General Sir Rodney Moore which was held in the Guards Chapel today.

The Duke of Gloucester today visited the East of England Show, Peterborough.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Lt Col Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE, July 16.

The Duke of Kent, Grand Master, this morning attended the Annual Service of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George at St Paul's Cathedral.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

The Duke and Duchess of Kent were represented by Colonel J. M. Clavering at the Memorial Service for General Sir Rodney Moore in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE, July 16.

Princess Alexandra, as Honorary Commandant General, this afternoon received the Commissioner of the Royal Hongkong Police Force, Mr R. H. Anning.

Her Royal Highness, Patron and Air Chief Commandant, later received Air Commodore A. A. Reed upon retiring as Matron-in-Chief of Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service and Group Captain M. M Shaw upon assuming this appointment.

The Prince and Princess of Wales will open the Burlington House Fair at the Royal Academy of Arts on Sept. 11 at 11 a.m.

A memorial service for Mr Tom Hooson, MP, will be held today at St Margaret's, Westminster, at 11.30 a.m.

A memorial service for Miss Phyllis Beddells (Mrs Ian Macbean) will be held at St Paul's, Covent Garden, on July 31 at noon.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Sir Clifford Norton is 94 today; Mr Hardy Amies is 76; Lord Lane 67; Sir Alan Cottrell 66; Sir Kenneth Stowe 58; and Mr C. T. Wyatt 58.

LUNCHEON

Baroness Elliot of Harwood

Baroness Elliot of Harwood presided at a luncheon of the Ladies Committee of the European-Atlantic Group held yesterday at the House of Lords. The guest of honour was Baroness Birk, who spoke on "Problems of the Environment." Baroness Burton of Coventry and Mrs Elma Dangerfield, Honorary Director of the Group, also spoke.

RECEPTIONS

The Speaker

The Speaker and Mrs Weatherill were hosts at a reception held on the Terrace of the House of Commons for the Appeal for St Margaret's Church, Westminster, yesterday evening. Both present and past members of Parliament attended.

Royal Society of Medicine

The President of the Royal Society of Medicine, Sir John Walton, received the guests at an evening reception held yesterday after the presentation of diplomas to the Society's newly elected Honorary Fellows, Sir Stanley Clayton, the Rev. G. R. Dunstan, Dr Louis Forman, Mr R. T. Hewitt and Sir Desmond Pond.

VICTORIA LEAGUE

The 84th annual general meeting of the Victoria League for Commonwealth Friendship was held at the Mansion House yesterday by courtesy of the Lord Mayor, Sir Alan Traill. Lord MacLehose of Beoch, Chairman of the League, presided, and Lord Moran addressed the meeting which was attended by Victoria League members and students from the Commonwealth.

CROSFIELDS SCHOOL

The Board of Governors of Crosfields School announce the appointment of Mr Francis Skipworth as Headmaster from the Summer Term, 1986, in succession to Mr Roy Stillman who is retiring after 29 years.

BRIDGE NEWS

By Our Bridge Correspondent

More than 16,000 players competed representing 28 countries in the Charity Challenge Bridge tournament in aid of the British Council for Prevention of Blindness, the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind and the Save the Children Fund, each of which received £5,000.

The leading scores were: 1. Mr and Mrs T. Kelly (Beechams P.H. Lobs B.C., Worthing) 82·68 per cent.; 2. Father R. E. Glenn and G. Keaveney (U.C. Galway) 80·00; 3. Miss P. Allsop and Mrs J. Scott-Robinson (Bakewell B.C.) 78·12; 4. Mrs S. Newman and D. Green (Bramhope) 77·22; 5. D. Gunn and D. Clifton (East Grinstead B.C.) 76·66; 6. G. Gauus and D. A. Rose (Hull and East Riding B.C.) 75·39; 7. Mr and Mrs K. Cole (Thakenham) 74·54; 8. E. Hyde and D. Bird (Andover B.C.) 74·37; 9. Mr and Mrs W. Graham (Bakewell B.C.) 73·73; 10. Mr S. M. Hall and H. J. Brown (Denmark Villas B.C.) 73·43. The leading overseas pair was Mrs C. Ross and Mrs A. Harrison (Bulawayo) 73·18.

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NATHAN, Mrs Phyllis, Crooked Usage, Finchley	255,618
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SCOTT FOX, Sir David Robert, Belgravia, Ambassador to Finland, 1966-69	145,471

TODAY'S EVENTS

THE QUEEN and Prince Philip give a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace, 4.

Princess of Wales attends service to mark inauguration of Year of the Barnardo Volunteer in Westminster Abbey, 11.

Princess Margaret attends performance by Royal Ballet School at Royal Opera House, Covent Garden (eve.).

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.

TOMORROW'S EVENTS

THE QUEEN, accompanied by Prince Philip, takes the Salute at the Royal Tournament, Earls Court, 2.30.

Prince Philip opens Grosvenor Pier at the Westminster Boating Base, Grosvenor Road, S.W.1, 10.

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.

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Forthcoming Marriages

Mr S. A. Taylor and Miss S. C. Newton

The engagement is announced between Stephen, elder son of the late Mr E. Taylor and of Mrs A. Raynor, of Norton, Sheffield, Yorks, and Carol, elder daughter of the late Mr R. L. Newton and of the Hon. Mrs Newton, of Saltby, Melton Mowbray, Leics.

Capt. A. Salmon, RM, and Miss E. J. Bolt

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. Salmon, of Pulborough, West Sussex, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Bolt, of Plymouth, Devon.

Capt. M. C. H. Underhill and Miss D. J. Lodwig

The engagement is announced between Capt. Mark Underhill, R.C.T., elder son of Colonel and Mrs C. G. K. Underhill, of Douglas, I.o.M., and Deborah, daughter of Capt. and Mrs T. Lodwig, of Edgbaston, Birmingham.

Capt. M. A. Laborda and Miss J. S. Gibbs

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr Maurice Laborda, of Washington, D.C., and Mrs Mary Laborda, of London, and Jane, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Gibbs, of Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol.

Mr M. K. Seigel and Miss W. K. Grumbar

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs A. W. Seigel, of Edgware, and Wendy, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. A. Grumbar, of Worcester Park.

Mr D. R. Elton and Miss S. P. Mills

The engagement is announced between David Roger, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. R. Elton, of Fawsley, Maidenhead Thicket, Berkshire, and Susan Philippa, only daughter of Sir Peter Mills, MP, and Lady Mills, of Priestcombe, Crediton, Devon.

Capt. T. J. Beese and Flt Lieut D. E. Bambridge

The engagement is announced between Thomas Jolyon Beese, 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards, younger son of Mr and Mrs G. H. Beese, East Grafton, Wiltshire, and Deborah Ellen Bambridge, Royal Air Force, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. E. Bambridge, Athens.

Mr A. D. Venn and Miss S. F. H. Bridges

The engagement is announced between Adrian, son of Air Commodore and Mrs M. G. P. Venn, of Empingham, Leics, and Helen, daughter of Group Captain and Mrs A. G. Bridges, of Stamford, Lincs.

Mr M. J. D. Kennedy and Miss K. L. Coombe

The engagement is announced between Martin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. H. R. Kennedy, of Charminster, Dorchester, and Karen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Coombe, of Sea Barn Farm, Weymouth.

Mr R. G. Fentiman and Miss A. T. Jewett

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Denis Fentiman, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Alicia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederic C. Jewett, of Salem, Massachusetts.

Mr F. J. Colwill and Miss J. E. Dixon

The engagement is announced between Frank, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R. Colwill, of Spindle Park, Little Witley, Worcestershire, and Jackie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. M. Dixon, of Wilson House, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria.

Mr J. J. Redgate and Miss E. Marshall

The engagement is announced between Jonathan Justin, only son of the late Mr E. D. Redgate and of Mrs J. R. A. Leighton, of Upton, Newark, Notts, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs E. A. Marshall, of Shanklin, Isle of Wight.

Mr J. D. Ireson and Miss S. L. Robertson

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, son of Mr and Mrs Norman Ireson, of Yarwell, Northants, and Suzie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Fergus Robertson, of Northwood, Middx.

Mr A. F. Barton and Miss A. S. Brown

The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of Mr D. F. Barton, OBE, and Mrs Barton, of Levens, Cumbria, and Anna, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. S. Brown, of Ashill, Somerset.

Mr J. P. A. Adams and Miss S. E. A. Payne

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr P. I. Adams and the late Mrs P. M. Adams, of Abbots Leigh, Bristol, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R. W. N. Payne, of Warlingham, Surrey.

Mr C. R. Gaster and Miss H. E. A. Cottle

The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs Richard Gaster, of Bournemouth, and Hilary, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Cottle, of Beckenham, Kent.

Mr P. T. A. Margary and Miss J. A. Teague

The engagement is announced between Piers, son of Mr and Mrs Aubyn R. Margary, of London, and Janet, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. D. Teague, of Blackpool.

Mr R. W. J. Foster and Miss J. R. Fry

The engagement is announced between Richard William John, son of Mr and Mrs L. W. Foster, of Wreningham, Norfolk, and Joanna Roselle, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Fry, of Booton, Norfolk.

Mr D. A. B. Buggé and Miss A. J. Vischer

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs R. L. Buggé, of Bramley, Surrey, and Annabel Jane, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. H. M. Vischer, of Weston Underwood, Buckinghamshire.

In Memoriam

General Sir Rodney Moore

The Queen was represented by Lord Maclean and the Duke of Edinburgh by Gen. Sir David Fraser at the memorial service for Gen. Sir Rodney Moore held yesterday at the Guards Chapel. The Prince of Wales was represented by Col Gerard Leigh, Princess Margaret by Lady Aird, Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester by Miss Diana Harrison, the Duke and Duchess of Kent by Col John Clavering, and Prince and Princess Michael of Kent by Col Michael Farmer.

The Rt Rev. Michael Mann, Dean of Windsor, and the Rev. Neville Thomas, Chaplain to the Household Division, took part. The first reading was given by Mr Michael Moore (son) and the second by Mr Simon Block (son-in-law). The Rev. Kenneth Oliver, Honorary Chaplain to the Honourable Artillery Company, and Canon Michael Moore, Chaplain of the Chapel Royal, Hampton Court Palace, were robed and in the sanctuary.

The Lord President of the Council, Viscount Whitelaw, attended. Mr Edward Heath, M.P., was represented by Sir Brian Warren. Among others in the large congregation were:

Lady Moore (widow), Mrs Simon Block (daughter), Mr Robert Block, Mr Justin Block (grandsons), Mr D. A. Johnston (brother-in-law), Cdr and Mrs B. Tower, Major and Mrs A. Ritchie, Miss Jane Ritchie, Mr Colin Ritchie, Mr and Mrs J. Haggie, Mr Ian Tower, Col and Mrs William Harvey-Kelly, Miss Caroline Harvey-Kelly, Miss Francesca Harvey-Kelly, and other members of the family.

Col M. A. P. Hussein, representing the High Commissioner for Malaysia and the Malaysian Armed Forces, M. Charles Rauller, representing the Belgian Ambassador, Capt. B. Stradiot, Military, Naval and Air Attaché, Belgian Embassy.

The Duke and Duchess of Norfolk, the Marquess of Cholmondeley, the Marquess and Marchioness of Abergavenny, the Earl and Countess of Westmorland, the Earl of Airlie, Countess Fortescue, the Countess of Limerick, Maj.-Gen. Earl Cathcart, also representing the British Commonwealth Ex-Services League, Earl St Aldwyn, Chancellor of the Order of St John, and Countess St Aldwyn.

Maj.-Gen. Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, Colonel The Life Guards, and Lady Michael Fitzalan Howard, Viscountess Campden, Dorothea, Viscountess of Kelburn, the Hon. N. Villiers, Lord Patrick Beresford, Lady Maclean, Lord and Lady Wigram, Lord Lurgan, Lord and Lady Peyton of Yeovil, Joan, Lady Renwick, Lord Monteagle of Brandon, Dunlin, Lady Poole, Iris, Lady Inverforth, Lord Grimthorpe, Lord Mowbray, Segrave and Stourton, Sir Philip Moore, the Hon. Diana Makgill, the Hon. Mrs Angela Lascelles, Col. the Hon. Julian Berry, the Hon. John Thornycroft, Major the Hon. Jeremy and Mrs Monson, the Hon. Thomas and Mrs Bossey.

Adml Sir Charles and Lady Madden, Maj.-Gen. Sir James d'Avigdor-Goldsmid, representing the Trustees of the Cavalry and Guards Club, Maj.-Gen. Sir Allan Adair, Maj.-Gen. Sir John and Lady Younger, Brig. Sir Alexander Stanier, Lt-Col Sir James and Lady Scott, Major Sir Richard and Lady Rawb, Major Sir Hamish Forbes, Sir Anthony Meyer, M.P., and Lady Meyer, Sir Ralph Anstruther.

Field Marshal Sir Richard Hull, Field Marshal Sir Edwin and Lady Bramall, Marshal of the RAF Sir John and Lady Grandy, Gen. Sir Richard Trant, Colonel Commandant, Honourable Artillery Company, Gen. Sir Charles Harington, Airborne Forces Security Fund Trustees, Gen. Sir Peter Hunt, also representing the King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers, Gen. Sir Roland Guy, representing the Army Board, Gen. Sir Victor and Lady FitzGeorge-Balfour, Vice-Adml Sir Ronald Brockman, Vice-Adml Sir Ian and Lady Hogg, Vice-Adml Sir Peter and Lady Ashmore.

Lt-Gen. Sir Maurice Johnston, Maj.-Gen. Sir Peter and Lady Gillett, Maj.-Gen. Sir Philip and Lady Ward, Maj.-Gen. Sir Digby Raeburn, representing the Officers' Families Fund, and Lady Raeburn, Maj.-Gen. Sir John Swinton, Blue Seal Club, and Lady Swinton, Maj.-Gen. Sir George Burns, Colonel Coldstream Guards, Brig. Sir John Paton, Col Sir Henry and Lady May Abel Smith, Col Sir Henry and Lady Clowes, Lt-Col Sir John Miller, Lt-Col Sir John Johnston, Lt-Col Sir Eric Penn, Lt-Col Sir Douglas Morpeth.

Lady Fraser, Sir Mark and Lady Prideaux, Sir John and Lady Baring, Sir Arthur Collins, representing 2nd Household Cavalry Regiment, Sir Rex and Lady Cohen, Sir Edward Ford, Sir Humphrey Prideaux, Sir Thomas Gore Browne, Lady Leese-Bourke, Lady Bowes-Lyon, Sir Charles and Lady Villiers, Lady Templer, Sir Peter Thorne, Sir Crispin Tickell, Mr Michael and Lady Angela Oswald, Col T. F. C. and Lady Betty Winnington, Mr Alan Glyn, M.P., and Lady Rosula Glyn, Brig. M. F. H. and Dame Joanna Kelleher, Mr and the Hon. Mrs Algernon Heber Percy, Mr and the Hon. Mrs Jeremy Fordham, Lt-Col and the Hon Mrs Robin Price, Lt-Col and Mrs Cranston of that Ilk.

Maj.-Gen. James Eyre, Major General Commanding the Household Division, and Mrs Eyre, Col A. T. W. Duncan, Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Grenadier Guards, and Mrs Duncan, Col H. M. C. Havergal, Regimental Lieutenant Colonel, Coldstream Guards, Lt-Col D. C. Macdonald Milner, representing Regimental Lieutenant Colonel and All Ranks Welsh Guards, Col James Hamilton-Russell, representing Colonel the Blues and Royals, and Mrs Hamilton-Russell, Major S. J. H. Lloyd, representing Regimental Lieutenant Colonel Irish Guards, Brig. C. Armitage, representing the Queen's Dragoon Guards, Col Piers Bengough representing the Royal Hussars, Capt. F. Hobbs, representing the Commanding Officer, 1st Bn, Grenadier Guards.

Maj.-Gen. [illegible] Airy, representing the Commandant, Royal College of Defence Studies, Col N. H. Packenham-Mahon, representing the Grenadier Guards Association, Mr J. W. G. Challis, Vice-President, Honourable Artillery Company, with Capt R. B. Tilley, Director, and Mrs [illegible] Philson, Treasurer; Mr L. [illegible] Rowan Rentall, Governor Horse Rangers Association, with Mrs Copley Smith, Vice-President; Mrs Gerard Leigh, Mrs H. W. B. Schroder, Mrs Charles Benson, Col and Mrs D. Fanshawe, Lt-Col Richard Watt, representing the Guards Polo Club, and Mrs Watt, Mr A. A. Hammond, Chief Commandant, Metropolitan Constabulary, Mr Harold [illegible] Sebag-Montefiore, Mrs K. A. C. Oliver, Col Ian Reed, Col and Mrs Nigel Bromage, Mr and Mrs Carron Greig, Mrs John Shedden, Miss Mona Mitchell, Mr Harry Carr, Lt-Col and Mrs John Chandos-Pole, the Ven J. R. and Mrs Youens, Col Andrew Parker Bowles, Mr P. A. Sheppard, President, the Royal Tennis Court, Hampton Court, with Mr B. P. C. Swash, Chairman; and Mrs Wilfrid Hyde White.

WEDDING

Mr P. B. L. Coghlan and Mrs D. Smith-Bingham

The marriage took place quietly on July 16 at Chichester between Mr Patrick Coghlan, of Copyhold, Fernhurst, Haslemere, Surrey, and Mrs June Smith-Bingham.

CHRISTENING

The infant son of the Hon. Nicholas and Mrs Soames was christened Arthur Harry David by Canon Trevor Beeson at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. The godparents are Mr David Heathcoat-Amory, M P, Mr Rhydian Morgan Jones, Mrs Richard Beckett, Mrs Jake Morley and Mrs Mark Keegan.

SERVICE LUNCHEON

Royal Naval College, Dartmouth St Vincent Term 1925-28

A reunion luncheon of St Vincent Term 1925-28, Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, was held at Trinity House, London, on Friday, July 12, and was attended by 15 members, 12 of whom were accompanied by their wives. Capt. Sir David Tibbits presided and Capt. Robert Shaw, term officer, was guest of honour.

TELEVISION /

Studio Scenes

SOME insist that Irish troubles have already been dramatised to their limit, and that there can be nothing more now but repetition. For me Douglas Livingstone's "We'll Support You Ever More" on Sunday night, teaching a visiting Englishman that the more you find out the less you know, vividly proved there is more to say. But there is no law against trying other subjects.

It was easy to feel a little sorry for the Ulster dramatist in Stewart Parker's **Radio Pictures** (BBC-2) last night, when he was attacked by his leading actress for indulging in literary masturbation. This because his "Mr Deadman and Miss Goodbody" explored sexual voyeurism and entirely ignored the Irish condition.

This Rosemary Hill production for the present "Summer Season" of television drama proved its first unblemished jewel. It was a delight from beginning to end, always enfunny. If toilers at the highbrow end of radio drama found themselves less amused that would be undertstandable.

The setting was a Broadcasting House studio and the recording of this very wordy new play by Rory Colquhon (Dermot Crowley). For reasons he *could not articulate* the author found the production painful. The director (Geoffrey Palmer), with his sweet tooth and sour tongue, ensured that the complaints never quite emerged. Discussion was stifled by his resentment of television and his regard for his own medium, "akin to the cinema, only more visual."

Others were more willing to admit disappointment about their status. The efficient technicians, all called Jim, did so with disabused facial expressions. The protagonists of the

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play within the video (Dinsdale Landen and Frances Tomelty) expressed their scorn more directly. Only the veterans of the B B C Repertory Company enjoyed radio drama as an escape from life.

All the while director Nicholas Renton relished the parallels between the fantasies of the radio script and those working on it. If the dialogue had been dud the style and range of the visual invention would have been rewarding in itself. As it was words and pictures, radio and television, complemented each other beautifully.

In its unpretentious way I **See England** (ITV), the first of two Central programmes for International Youth Year, gave a touching series of glimpses of the first impression this country and its people makes on young people arriving here from abroad. Usually with only one or two words of English.

The first Nigel Warrack film was stolen by a tiny Vietnamese girl. She remembered that when she arrived "the sky cried" and the cold meant that "smoke came out of my mouth."

Sean Day-Lewis

Obituary

PATRICK RANSOME-WALLIS

PATRICK RANSOME-WALLIS, who has died aged 79, was a Herne Bay doctor who wrote more than 25 books about railways and locomotives

He was known in every continent among railway enthusiasts and he amassed a photograph collection of 12,000 railway shots and 5,000 ships taken by himself all over the world. He was also a keen model-maker.

The son of a Worksop general practitioner, he intended to be a railway mechanical engineer and began as a pupil at Doncaster locomotive works. But after the railway amalgamation of 1923 which altered career prospects, he was persuaded to switch to medicine and graduated at Edinburgh in 1930.

He became a general practitioner in Herne Bay in 1933 but served with the Royal Navy in the 1939-45 war. His ship, the Dido, was badly damaged by a bomb during the 1941 evacuation of Crete.

After Crete he went to the anti-submarine warfare establishment H M S Osprey, where he formulated acoustic standards for anti-submarine warfare. In medicine, in addition to general practice, he was an *audiologist, first at St Mary's* Hospital, London, later at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital.

FRANK HARCOURT-MUNNING

Frank Harcourt-Munning, who has died aged 79, was the founder of the charity War on Want Ltd., *which he took over in* 1956 from a small charity and built up to be an international force. A wealthy man who had built up a large fortune as a property owner which included 80 blocks of flats, he retired from War on Want in 1970 and put his energies and much of his capital into another charity, the Marr-Munning Trust.

The son of Capt. Charles Harcourt-Munning, the last Admiral of the Short Blue Fleet, he was educated at Milford Haven grammar school and for several years till 1951 was a professional concert and opera singer. A life-long Methodist, he was for many years a life governor of the National Children's Home and became vice-president in 1978. He was appointed a C B E in 1968.

HERMANN LEHMANN

Prof. Hermann Lehmann, who had died in Cambridge aged 75, was Professor of Clinical Biochemistry, Cambridge, from 1967 to 1977 and a world-renowned researcher into haemoglobin. From 1963 to 1975 he was director of the Medical Research Council's *Abnormal Haemoglobin Unit.*

He was a pathologist at St Bartholomew's Hospital from 1951 to 1963 and president of the British Society for Haematology in 1975-76. He became a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1972 and was appointed a C B E in 1980.

George William Seymour Melhuish. In Bristol, aged 68. Artist and 1939-45 War Artist whose work appears in several municipal collections and Imperial War Museum. Author of philosophical works including "The Paradoxical Universe" (1959) and "The Paradoxical Nature of Reality" (1973).

WAY OF THE WORLD

Nice and Nasty

"YESTERDAY'S Live Aid concert at Wembley Stadium was an act of niceness to rival the great radical chic evenings of the Seventies . . . David Bowie, Sting, Tina Turner, Mick Jagger, Brian Ferry—they were all there in glorious, full-colour, satellite Dollarvision, being, of all things, *nice* . . .

"Wasn't the instigator of the whole thing Bob Geldof, that angry young Irishman who had a hit single with 'Looking After Number One' in 1977? But there he is, breaking his arse for the starving Ethiopians. Because the Nice Age has come at last . . .

"The members of the counter-culture are making good their promise to change the *system* from the inside by using *the systems* they've discovered within it . . . satellite broadcasting, the advertising industry, video and vinyl, fashion and form . . . The tools with which Thatcher, Reagan and all the other meanies promoted heartlessness are at last being used to promote heartfulness . . ."

Although I felt bound as a matter of duty to read the whole of the article in the *Observer* — yes, the *Observer*, a "serious" newspaper—from which these nauseating extracts come, I spare you any more. The line of argument is clear enough.

The world is to be saved from the *nasty* people who *rule it* (or appear to rule it), the starving are to be fed, peace and justice are to reign for evermore through the efforts of nice young people, young people suddenly turned nice by mass hypnosis, by sweating, screaming, bawling purveyors of barbarous, degenerate pseudo-musical rubbish blasting heaven and earth. Rock shall save the world.

It is easy enough for me, a reactionary old feudal landlord and notorious enemy of the human race, to write that I would rather starve than be nourished by a Global Rock Festival. But I cannot speak for the starving peasants of Ethiopia (they cannot, anyhow, speak for themselves). If these horrendous hours of uproar should be the means of saving even one human life, they will, in a sense, be justified.

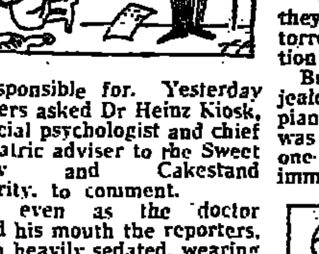
But such modish festivals breed illusions, illusions of a dangerous and deadly kind. How, for instance, are those who are being nice to distant peoples they will never see behaving to those they see every day of their lives?

Taught to dislike the random, heartless meanies of the West, how will they face the organised, heartless meanies of the Communist Empires? The idiot cult of Rock will certainly not prevail either in this world or the next. But it may be one instrument by which the innocent nice, bawling in caring stadia, marching in compassionate, Dollarvision processions, breaking their arses for the "Third World," may be induced to connive at their own destruction, and ours, by meanies more heartless — and more heavily armed—than any they can imagine.

Horror Chaos Bid

THE Belgian Minister of the Interior, M. Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb, has accused "English society" of "*collective responsibility*" for the disaster at Heysel Stadium in which 38 football spectators died.

This man is fighting to keep his job. He does not realise what horrors he may himself



be responsible *for*. Yesterday reporters asked Dr Heinz Kiosk, the social psychologist and chief psychiatric adviser to the Sweet Trolley and Cakestand Authority, to comment.

But even as the doctor opened his mouth the reporters, though heavily sedated, wearing flak-jackets, carrying two-way radios and promised almost unlimited expenses, immediately broke and fled.

Mr Snowdonia

ACCORDING to a report in the NORTH WALES WEEKLY NEWS there is a lifesize plastic model of a Welsh farmer at the Snowdonia National Park Centre — no, I have not *invented any of this* — who tells visitors by means of a taped message what they should and should not do when they are on "agricultural land in the countryside." The message comes in Welsh or English, depending on which of two buttons is pressed.

When this model arrived it had long flowing hair and a beard and was wearing a severely cut black coat and stock. "He is bang up to date technically but the exhibition firm in London which supplied him seems to have curious ideas about Welsh agriculture," said National Park official Mr Rod Gritten."

So a hairdresser was called in to trim his hair and beard, and his black coat was replaced with a tweed jacket.

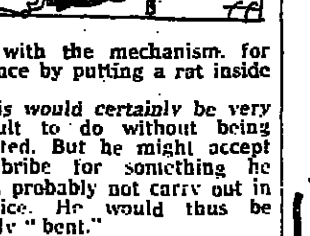
All this trouble could have been avoided if the National Park people had ordered a "Welsh Agricultural Model" from Rentacrowd, the branch of the world-famous mob-supplying firm which still keeps its original trade-name and caters for the "specialised," "luxury" or "up-market" side of the trade. To be on the safe side they should have ordered half a dozen.

Rentacrowd specialists would have known better than the National Park people what visitors to North Wales really want: a white-robed, mistletoe-crowned "druid-type" figure with a golden harp, dispensing not only advice on sheep-consciousness raising but Cymric ice cream in several flavours as consumed in the palace of *Llewelyn the Great.*

A Bent Piano Tuner

SUGGESTIONS for professions which cannot be "bent" are still coming in, though they are a trickle rather than a torrent. One ingenious suggestion is a piano-tuner.

But he could be bribed by a jealous pianist to *mistune* the piano a more successful rival was to play at a concert, fix one or more keys to make them immovable, or otherwise inter-



fere with the mechanism, for instance by putting a rat inside it.

This would certainly be very difficult to do without being detected. But he might accept the bribe for something he could probably not carry out in practice. He would thus be doubly "bent."

As I write, another suggestion has just come in—chief food taster to the Saudi Arabian royal family. I think this may be the definitive answer.

Peter Simple

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THANK YOU St Jude. B.P.

VIC all love today.—J.

MELANIE STICKLAND, B.A. Hons. Congratulations (and Happy Birthday). Ma and Pa.

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MEDLA.—Happy birthday darling — I love you so so much.—Jason.

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS disbanded 15 July 1965; still sorely missed by all Practical Grocers.

THE SOUTHERN ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY (Chairman: John C. C. Lazaro) wishes astronomers and the like a good view of P/Halley's Comet 1985/1986.

DEVERELL, FREDA DEVERELL, Spinster, late of 380 Holly Lodge Mansions, Oakshott Avenue, Highgate, London, N.6, died there on 10th January, 1985. Estate about £7 250).
GOODWIN otherwise MARTIN, FREDERICK WILLIAM GOODWIN otherwise WILLIAM GOODWIN otherwise FREDERICK WILLIAM MARTIN, late of 31 Ringmer Gardens, Sussex Way, Islington, London, N.19, died at Islington on 14th June, 1984 (Estate about £51,27-).
KITCHEMAN née BARTON, IVY ELSIE KITCHEMAN nee BARTON, Widow, late of Coteight, 31 Four Wells Drive, Sheffield, died in Sheffield on 20th September 1984. (Estate about £4,460).
McCAYNA, FRANCIS HENRY McCAYNA, late of 36 Havelock Way, Highcliffe, Christchurch, Dorset, died there on 3rd November, 1984. (Estate about £42,000).
MARSHALL, ORMOND RICHARD MARSHALL, late of 1 Old Bexley Lane, Dartford, Kent, died there on 3rd July, 1984. (Estate about £21,200).
PHILLIPS, JOHN FREDERICK PHILLIPS, late of Flat 1, Tankerton Hotel, Marine Parade, Tankerton, Kent, died at Tankerton on or about 10th March, 1984. (Estate about £8,500).
PIERCZYK, ALEKSANDER PIERCZYK, late of 106 Brinklow Tower, Highgate Street, Birmingham 12, died in Birmingham on 1st October, 1983. (Estate about £4,000).
REYNOLDS, EMMA ASHLEY REYNOLDS, Spinster, late of 12 Stebonheath Terrace, Llanelli, Dyfed, died at Llanelli on 26th September, 1984. (Estate about £35,000).
SMITH, PETER SMITH FREDDIE SMITH otherwise PETER SMITH, late of Flat 1, 28 Hurst Street, Herne Hill, London, S.E.24, died at Camberwell, London S.E.5 on 25th April, 1984. (Estate about £24 870).
TURNBULL née MOUNT, JANE KIDD TURNBULL née MOUNT, Widow, late of 103 O'Donnell Court, Brunswick Square, Camden, London W.C.1, died at Camden on 29th September, 1984. (Estate about £1,350).
WILLDING, FREDERICK GEORGE WILLDING otherwise FREDERICK WILLDING, late of 90 Great Clarendon Street, Oxford, died at Oxford on 29th Mar., 1984. (Estate about £14,750).
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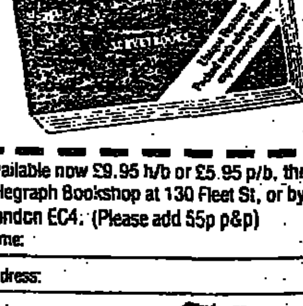

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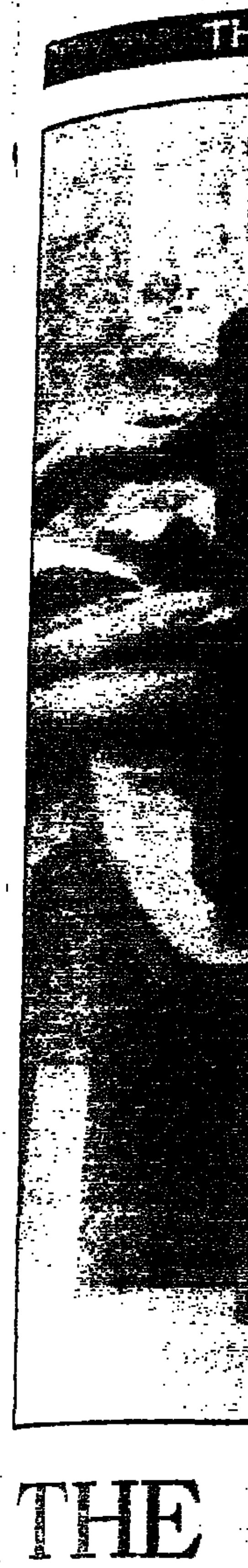

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THE SWEDISH SUCCESS STORY THAT OWES SO MUCH TO BRITISH FASHIONS

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The satin duster coat that is tipped as the big evening look for autumn: this, in jade green satin, costs £44·99; matching shirt £29·99 and trousers £34·99, all available in October.

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THE LOW COST OF LOOKING GOOD

BY ANN CHUBB

THE best fashion shop in Hamburg is not German at all, but belongs to the Swedish chain Hennes, awarded this high accolade last month.

And to return the compliment, it was to Hamburg that Hennes decided to go to launch its autumn fashion show — a lively song-and-dance production held in the city's Atlantic hotel.

Next year, the venue might well be London, for the British fashion industry supplies in increasingly large percentage of the lively young content of Hennes's 160 European shops — shops which sell budget-priced fashion for men and children as well as women.

Last year Hennes bought £16 million worth of British fashion merchandise. By the end of this year the figure could be as high as £25 million. The reason: not only is London a prime source of fashion ideas these days, but delivery times are far shorter than those of the Far East, the more expected source of inexpensive clothes. For a chain that deals in what they term "fast fashion," these short delivery times are all-important.

Whatever is newest in young fashion ideas, you find fastest at Hennes — and probably at a record low price, too. The Hennes buying team (average age 25) treks the world looking at trends from all the major fashion capitals, then translates them into realistic High Street prices.

In their fashion show in Hamburg, Hennes showed all the major trends from the international collections, most with a ceiling price of just £50.

Inspired by American fashion, for instance, was the Rotten Row look of hunting-pink coats with black velvet collars, hunting bowlers, riding jackets, stock-collared shirts and jodhpurs galore; the newest in lime green cord with matching jacket.

The Milan look of brightly-coloured, big-shouldered jacket with matching ski pants was there too, looking terrific. The girl-about-town suits with long jackets and short slim skirts in bright or black elephant cord could have stepped straight off the Paris catwalk, yet cost just under £50.

Evening looks had a strong London influence and were in fact often made up by leading London labels like Coppernob. The big evening look for autumn was the satin duster coat, cut like a big shirt, and worn fluttering over matching shirt and trousers.

All these major fashion looks start reaching the Hennes shops in England (there are 13 so far) this month, but right now there are beach bargains galore and some of them quite unexpected too, as I discovered on a wander around the award-winning Hamburg shop — everything is available here too.

My husband's boring Seventies-style holiday wardrobe is going to be transformed by one or two of their tropical print shirts for men: jolly blue banana prints, for instance, all of which sell for £9·99.

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"But England is becoming more and more important," said Stefan Persson. "It's a tough market but we have 13 stores in England at the moment with plans for more shops, including Nottingham and Oxford."

●Bismark looks down on two variations on this autumn's riding look: hunting pink overcoat (left) with black velvet collar £99, from the beginning of September; ruff-collared blouse £13·99, from the end of month. Lime green cord jacket, (right) £29·99, and matching jodhpurs £18·99, both available from start of next month.

●Hennes's 35-year-old managing director Stefan Persson says "One of our main strengths is that we are flexible."

Pictures by KENNETH MASON

LEARNING TENNIS FROM THE INSIDE

By Peter Pallot

IT is about this time of year that many of us rush to the cupboard under the stairs to grab a slightly-warped, wood-frame racquet with frayed strings and three tennis balls as soft as marshmallows, and join the queue to play in the local park.

It is a charming ritual, performed around the time of Wimbledon fortnight and later quietly discarded.

But what of those who do want to continue playing, but for reasons of cash or competence cannot join a local club? Once Wimbledon is over, pressure on public courts abates and now is the time to arrange coaching (anything from £6 to £16 an hour), hitting practice with a friend, or matches.

Courses are the quickest route to improvement and the most popular ones are arranged by the Lawn Tennis Association and the Sports Council. Commercial organisations run tennis holidays at home and abroad, usually in Spain and Portugal, and recently these have been joined by a company which adopts a slightly different approach.

Most coaches place great emphasis on drilling in technique and tactics on the basis that if professionals regularly practise six hours a day, every time you hit a tennis ball it should do something to improve your game.

However, the Inner Tennis convert believes that practise makes permanent and the Inner approach to coaching stresses the mental rather than physical side of the game.

Every player knows the feeling of receiving a "dead" ball which he then nonchantly rockets back with perfect timing and accuracy. "If only I could do that when it mattered," he mutters to himself, and proceeds to net the slower second serve.

To harness the power of the relaxed arm sounds sense, but how do you actually apply it? How do you learn to "flow" on court?

I got an answer of sorts last month when I attended the first three-day residential course run by InsideOut Tennis. Take, for instance, the forehand drive. Right-handers are taught to weight on the left foot, apply a high back swing and followthrough with the wrist locked and the racquet head above the handle.

The Inner approach is not to worry too much about weight distribution but to watch the ball with the utmost intensity, which should help the body fall naturally into a good hitting poise, while the arm is allowed to swing in a natural arc, the wrist looking after itself.

I suffer the common fault of mis-hitting overheads. This is because my brain tells me: "Here is the chance to put away a winner." Muscles lock for the big effort and the clean winner becomes yet another flop. The coach, Alan Fine, told me to ignore my arm and concentrate on relaxing my stomach muscles. It worked.

There are lessons, too, to help concentration and overcome boredom. Video analysis is included. All eight participants in the course, representing a good cross-section of age, ability and occupation, reported some improvement and no one was disenchanted with his decision to attend, the fee being £149 plus VAT, including board at the three-star Redwood Lodge Hotel near Bristol.

The course started with a worrying soul-bearing session in which we admitted our faults and goals. "I want to get rid of my pathetically wimpish serve," said one woman. But there was more on-court work than I had expected and less group discussion of the type one used to associate with beard-and-sandals professors on America's west coast. (Tim Gallwey who originated the Inner concept, applicable also to other sports, particularly golf, is a Californian.)

Among converts to the Inner game is Buster Mottram but it appears to be a coaching technique which is less than universally applicable. One answer is to try a £25 day course. As well as three-day residential courses, there are two or five days (£179 plus VAT or £189 plus VAT depending on location).

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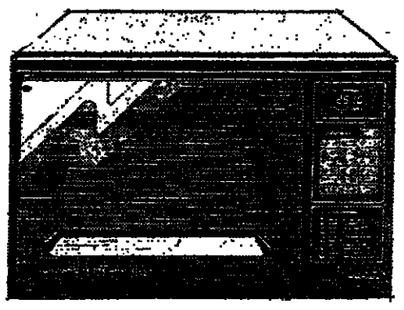

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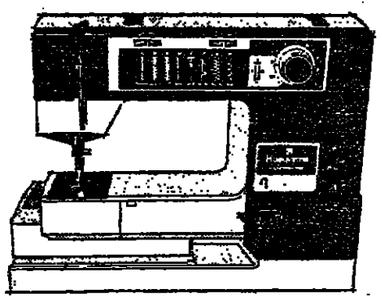

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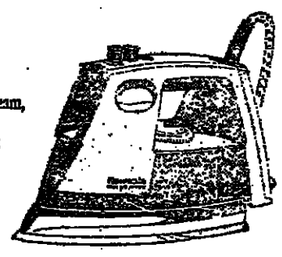

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LIFTING THE BURDEN

EUROPE IS CONCERNED with the creation of jobs, the United States more with how to fill the jobs that are being created. That is the starting point of the idealistic White Paper "Lifting The Burden," drawn up in a very few months by Lord YOUNG, the energetic Minister without Portfolio, and his skeleton staff. The White Paper happily admits that some unnecessary Government regulations contribute to unemployment. Of the amazingly wide selection of suggested panaceas — some allegedly already introduced, others to be introduced by new legislation or by extending existing guidelines, some trivial and some substantial — perhaps the most interesting is the proposal for simplified planning zones in towns. Indeed, the need to simplify and expedite planning procedures is a constant theme.

Lord YOUNG cannot of course change the world overnight. Not all Government departments are as eager to help him as they might be. Nor can he easily interfere with some existing regulations such as wages councils—officially the province of Mr TOM KING, Secretary of State for Employment — which have quite as deleterious an effect on employment as anything criticised in "Lifting The Burden." Equally, there are a number of EEC regulations, actual and proposed, which are not calculated to usher in the kind of free-market, non-bureaucratic arcadia of which Lord YOUNG dreams. For example, though the White Paper speaks in general terms of European deregulation, Lord YOUNG has been unable to raise the VAT exemption rate for small businesses from £19,500 to the £50,000 he would have liked.

Still, there remains much that can be done. The Opposition can do little more than sneer and ask sceptically how many jobs Lord YOUNG's ideas would create. Perhaps the greater danger comes from within the system. Lord YOUNG has had the advantage of not having had a department to tell him what he cannot do, is evangelical fervour is refreshing. But if other departments are not to make life difficult for him he must continue to have the open encouragement of the Prime Minister. Then his "central task force", intended to audit other departments' deregulation efforts, will carry weight.

MR HURD'S DILEMMA

OF COURSE, THE RECENT ASSAULTS by Protestant extremists on the security forces in Northern Ireland are entirely deplorable. They have already been strongly deplored by honourable Unionists and Orangemen, and the Chief Constable should not retreat an inch from his determination to ensure that police instructions about the routing of marches are observed by everybody concerned.

Yet these ugly incidents also carry ominous implications for the present negotiations between London and Dublin in preparation for the next summit and point to an acute dilemma now facing MR HURD. The strongest cause of the recent Protestant explosion was the widespread belief in Ulster that decisions about the re-routing of marches had been taken under pressure from the Government of the Republic. This impression (almost certainly false) was encouraged by the many observations which Mr PETER BARRY, the Republic's Foreign Minister, has made on security policy in the North. The Southern Irish Government is now demanding a permanent, institutionalised say in the conduct of that policy. Although it is fair to assume that Mr HURD will not grant that demand in any form which would diminish the British Government's executive responsibility for ruling Ulster, he and his advisers are well known to be willing and even anxious to see the establishment of a joint (North-South) security commission with purely advisory functions.

But do not the clashes at Portadown suggest that if such commission existed every act or omission by the security forces which displeased the Protestants would be automatically attributed to Dublin's interference and would, therefore, make it still harder to govern Ulster? Mr HURD might be able to ride this Protestant opposition if the final package agreed with Dublin contained some strong, even dramatic ingredient (for example, the restoration of detention in the South and the withdrawl of Southern opposition to its use in the North) which would convince the Unionists of the Republic's unequivocal determination to beat the IRA. Only a gesture of this sort will make an agreement workable.

MR KINNOCK'S PLIGHT

THERE MUST BE TIMES when Mr KINNOCK wonders why he ever volunteered to take the job of Leader of the Labour party. True, the top of Disraeli's greasy pole still beckons. But it is a dirty and uncertain climb. For all of a year he contrived more or less to distance himself and the reputation of his party from guilt by association with the revolutionary tactics employed by Mr SCARGILL and his shock troops in the coal strike without provoking their admirers on his own back benches to rebellion. Learned commentators told us that he had succeeded where his promoter MICHAEL FOOT had failed, isolating and masking the unacceptable face of socialism.

Yet once again the veil of unity stitched together with such loving care begins to unravel. Nottinghamshire miners, provoked with calculation by Mr SCARGILL, decide to declare UDI. Willy-nilly the hapless Mr KINNOCK has to share a common platform and the limelight at the Durham miners' gala with the man he knows can wreck his hopes of Downing Street and power. Desperately he warns the men from Nottinghamshire that the costs of permanent division are "vastly, immeasurably, in excess of any price of unity." To which the Nottinghamshire leader replies that he has the choice between recognition of their break-away and appearing to the nation as "utterly bound to Scargill." That, indeed, is Mr KINNOCK's fear.

Obviously his hope is that the Nottinghamshire coalfield will have second thoughts. That looks increasingly unlikely: indeed the secession shows every sign of spreading. What that portends is all too clear: a TUC conference this autumn at which Mr SCARGILL and his acolytes will sweep all before them in anathema of the secessionists, followed by a Labour Conference at which the Parliamentary party will be saddled with pledges of release for miners sent to prison for crimes committed in the coal strike and condign punishment for Coal Board management. And what will Mr KINNOCK do then—apart from suffer counsel from the previous leaders of his party whose strenuous appeasement of the anti-democrats in its ranks for 20 years has left him with so harsh a legacy?

Now that the House of Lords has put the last nails in the GLC's coffin, NICHOLAS COMFORT looks at the fears in factions of the mainstream Left as Ken Livingstone moves on to the national stage

A smiling tiger ready to pounce

KEN LIVINGSTONE'S selection as Labour candidate for Brent East, his break with the "hard Left" in the London Labour party and his declarations of loyalty to Neil Kinnock have marked the point from which he has to be treated as a national, rather than a local, figure. The subsequent muddle over his decision to run for the party Treasurership against Mr Kinnock's declared wishes underlines the point, demonstrating that in future his mistakes as well as his charisma will be judged rather more ruthlessly. He attempted to limit the damage by withdrawing from the contest and appears to have been forgiven.

Livingstone's transfer to the national stage, just as his campaign to save the Greater London Council (which he leads) has run out of steam, follows in the wake of a more remarkable transformation of his own image—from that of "bogeyman" of London politics just four short years ago to that of a virtual folk hero despite his views, which, particularly on the Middle East and Northern Ireland, remain anathema to many. At the age of 40, however, he has plenty of time in which to attract further controversy.

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HE first attracted the attention of London's Labour watchers in 1981, when he emerged as the leading Left-winger on the G L C in the run-up to what has turned out to be its last elections. Both he and Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth Council and an unsuccessful G L C candidate, were the targets of bitter invective from Sir Horace Cutler's ruling Conservatives as the mood and policies of the capital's "hard Left" became clear.

The Conservatives narrowly lost the election, but one of their predictions was hastily borne out. The following day the Labour group ousted its nominal leader, Andrew McIntosh (now a life peer) and installed Livingstone. As the Left implemented its high-spending policies, with emphasis on cheap fares, assistance to feminists, homosexual and lesbian groups and so forth, Labour's leader was in the eye of the storm. His willingness to appear on platforms with leaders of Sinn Fein merely confirmed the view of Right-wingers in his own party that he would be an electoral liability.

In the years that followed, Livingstone stuck to these attitudes, maintaining his alliance with Knight through the pro-Palestinian (and later pro-Scargill) LABOUR HERALD. His power base in the London Labour party increasingly supported him because of his policy line and despite his personality.

For that personality began to look attractive to Londoners who deplored the G L C's actions, for which he was ultimately responsible. The idea of a reclusive figure who had sacrificed his job and his marriage to indulge in eccentric politics and share a bed-sitter with a tank of newts struck an unlikely chord. Mrs Thatcher's Ministers began to find him hard to handle, notably because, unlike most of the hard Left, he was ready to show a sense of humour.

When Norman Fowler, as Transport Secretary, was trying to break the G L C's "Fares Fair" policy Livingstone emerged from a meeting with him to declare to bemused reporters: "The Minister wants to see me again. I think he must want me for my body."

Livingstone's great charm and off-beat approach did not always yield political dividends in the early days at County Hall. After a series of spectacular "own goals" a publicity team, now headed by the effervescent Anita Clarke, was brought in to keep him on the straight and narrow and accentuate the positive, with general success.

The campaigns to "Save the G L C" and oppose the Government's rate-capping policies brought him into regular contact with national Labour politicians for the first time. Given the strife-torn state of the movement before the 1983 election and just after it, Livingstone's clear identification with Bennite elements, he was remarkably successful at not making enemies within the leadership.

Neither Michael Foot, Kinnock (up to the time of the Treasurership episode), nor John Cunningham, Shadow Environment Secretary, has ever had serious cause to criticise him on local government matters; on Northern Ireland it has been and remains another story, though even Kinnock is now saying it is all right for his subordinates to talk to Sinn Fein.

Before the 1983 election Livingstone, still backed by the entire "hard Left", tried to oust Reg Freeson, sitting Labour M P for Brent East, and win a place in the Commons. A snap election and a near-unanimous National Executive thwarted him. By the time he tried again this spring, he had broken with many of his former associates and espoused the cause of Labour unity around Kinnock and Hattersley — but he still took the seat, with the Executive unanimously rejecting Freeson's charges against him.

Cynics in the party argue that once he had won the Brent nomination he was bound to distance himself from the Knight/Scargill/Benn axis to give himself the chance of a place in the Kinnock Cabinet. Yet the break came over an issue which caused genuine ill-feeling on both sides: the setting by the G L C at Livingstone's urging of a legal rate as the campaign against "rate-capping" faltered.

Livingstone's diatribe against Knight and John McDonnell, his former deputy at County Hall, for allegedly traducing the anti-ratecapping campaign and then leaving him to take the blame for it must rate among the finer polemics of our time. The reply of the remaining editors of LABOUR HERALD, Livingstone having resigned, was equally pungent. Whatever the G L C leader may have been planning to do, his scorn of his former colleagues and his actions drove him inexorably toward the Kinnock camp, or at least a point just to the Left of it.

Those close to the Labour leader had little choice but to welcome him (as indeed Mr Kinnock himself did) as a sign that something resembling sanity was reaching even the "hard Left." Yet they were from the outset suspicious, being aware that there is already a handful of M Ps which would like the Kinnock reign to be brief, with Livingstone succeeding him.

What worries the Kinnock camp, not to mention the Right of the party, is that this smiling, charismatic, jocular figure will say little about his views on policy (to which the Parliamentary party has been drawing steadily nearer) and by the next election could form an unshiftable part of Labour's somewhat limited pantheon.

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LIVINGSTONE as a Minister they fear little: indeed they suspect he could prove with the right handling to be a useful member of the team provided he is willing to work his passage. Livingstone as a senior member of an Opposition front bench, or in a hung Parliament, worries them considerably more. They fear that his remaining contacts with "loony" elements in the party, coupled with his undoubted ambition, could make life for the powers-that-be decidedly difficult.

Their greatest concern, though, is what might happen in the run-up to the election, or during the campaign itself, if he is too closely linked to the leadership to be disowned. An influential Labour Left-winger told me recently that what really worried Mr Kinnock was the prospect of "Ken appearing on a platform with Gerry Adams the week before polling day". A further attack on Zionism at a critical point is feared almost as much. In short, Ken Livingstone is no longer seen as his (or the party's) own worst enemy, but the Labour hierarchy is far from sure that if he comes aboard he will end as the smile rather than the tiger.

PM casts her fly on Russian waters

MRS THATCHER is determined to hook her fish. Following the disappointment of her plans to meet the Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev at the United Nations this autumn she is sending two of her rising stars to Moscow this summer to lay the diplomatic foundations for a meeting with Gorbachev next year.

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Office minister widely tipped for promotion to the Cabinet, goes there later this month. In September George Younger, the Scottish Secretary whose abilities also mark him out for higher things, will lead a trade delegation to the Soviet Union where he is sure to have access to the inner sanctums of the Kremlin.

As the final plank in the Foreign Office's carefully laid plans Viscount Whitelaw will visit Moscow just after Christmas. Much of his visit will be taken up with plans for the Thatcher-Gorbachev talks.

As an intriguing footnote to this initiative the Foreign Office is determined to get the new foreign minister Eduard Shevardnadze to visit Britain later this year. The F O's mandarins are rightly proud that they spotted Gorbachev as the coming man when he was just another faceless Politburo man. Getting Shevardnadze here would be another feather in their caps.

Joint honour

THE ROYAL SOCIETY can expect a change in its public style from November when Sir George Porter will be elected its new President in succession to Sir Andrew Huxley.

In contrast to the patrician Huxley, educated at Westminster and Trinity, Cambridge, where he is the new Master and a scion of Britain's most famous scientific family, Sir George, who was born in Doncaster of working-class parents, went to a grammar school and Leeds University.

Porter, who has a reputation for blunt speaking, has been an outstanding advocate of special provision for gifted children and an opponent of the advocates of strict equality.

But both men have one distinction in common. Both are Nobel laureates.

The Government's decision to lift the trade embargo imposed on Argentina during the Falklands conflict is really beginning to bear fruit. Thousands of apples and pears from the South American country are now, I hear, flooding into Covent Garden market.

Naming names

AMONG the record 1,500 new entries in this year's edition of the "International Who's Who" is included the name of Ahmed Massoud, the courageous Afghan guerrilla leader whose education is rather prosaically described as "Kabul Polytechnic."

Although Massoud's address is given as Panjsher Valley, Karpesa province, Afghanistan, I would not suggest that either readers or the Russian army of occupation, for whom he is "Number One Enemy," should attempt to write to him there.

Other first timers in the volume are our own Baroness Warnock and the Governor-designate of the Falkland Islands, Gordon Jewkes. But another look at President Reagan's old entry takes on a new significance after recent events—his autobiography is called "Where is the Rest of Me?"

LONDON DAY BY DAY

"A view of Dubrovnik from the Smiths in Torremolinos . . ."

Cost of living

THE UNITED STATES Government reckons that any of its staff visiting London should be able to get by on a daily allowance of $118, or at current exchange rates, £86·76.

This does not appear overly generous as the allowance is designed to cover "the daily reasonable cost of lodging and meals at adequate, suitable and moderately priced facilities plus costs for mandatory service charges and taxes, tips and such necessary incidentals as laundry and dry cleaning."

Pity then, the poor American government servant who ends up in Timbuktu. He only gets £32·55 a day and should he or she land at Eniwetok atoll, the per diem drops to £14·71. But there's not much to spend money on at Eniwetok atoll.

Labour engine

BRITISH RAIL may well have considered that there could have been a better day than yesterday for dedicating a locomotive to good industrial relations.

As Tom King, the Employment Secretary, named the new Inter City engine at Euston "The Industrial Society" after that august body, B R was sending men home without pay for refusing to man driver-only freight trains.

King may well have mused that the railway, mercilessly betrayed by its unions over its efficiency plans, subscribes to the Society while the Coal Board, busily putting its industrial house in order, does not.

Not all in vane

CANON JOHN OATES, the Rector of St Bride's Church, Fleet Street, can barely believe his luck since he heard that the estate of a feminist writer, Djuna Barnes, who moved among the exotic denizens of Paris and Greenwich Village in the '20s and '30s, has recently benefited the church to the tune of £9,000.

The Wren church has recently undergone a major structural facelift to its spire which involved a complete renovation of its renowned arrow-shaped weather vane — a superb feat of craftsmanship in gold leaf and black paint which is to be "topped out" today.

Faced with the cost of these and other structural repairs Canon Oates was delighted to hear that as the result of a recent DAILY TELEGRAPH photograph of the repairs, the Barnes legacy was discovered — surely a case of Mammon coming to the aid of God.

Wrong numbers

BRITISH TELECOM, never one to hide its light under a bushel, have issued an impressive 20-page booklet for the Open Championship at Sandwich tomorrow which contains "200 useful numbers."

The pity of it is that the telephone exchange printed as "St George's" is totally wrong. There is no such exchange and yesterday a spokesman at B T in Canterbury admitted that "it seems to be a major error."

Signed and sealed

THE ARCHIVIST of Lloyds Bank, John Booker, has come across the signature of the tragic poet, Percy Bysshe Shelley, in a book which was formerly the property of Sir William Call, Marten and Co., former bankers, of Old Bond Street.

Shelley's signature was entered on July 9, 1814, and was pasted into the book from a letter. Beneath it is the signature of his wife, Harriet — evidence perhaps of their estrangement and Shelley's impending flight to France with Mary Godwin.

Poor Harriet committed suicide by drowning in the Serpentine in 1816 — a similar watery fate awaited Shelley himself six years later when he was shipwrecked off Spezia. The signatures go on show at Lombard Street from tomorrow.

Taking the biscuit

THE CO-OP'S "Coffee Pot" cafe in Skipton, Yorkshire, displays a sign: "Customers are not allowed to enjoy their food in the Coffee Pot."

PETERBOROUGH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Drift net catch of salmon

From the Duke of WELLINGTON and others

SIR—In 1962 the Government brought in legislation banning all drift netting for salmon off the entire Scottish coast. We understand that the Norwegian Government is considering similar action.

Meanwhile, drift netting for salmon remains legal off most of the coast of England and Wales.

The Northumbrian and the Yorkshire Water Authorities continue to issue licences for drift netting for salmon, in the Fisheries over which they have jurisdiction and full advantage is being taken of this, by fishermen operating monofilament and other types of invisible nylon nets, off the coast of Northumberland and North Yorkshire.

The drift net catch of salmon declared to these Water Authorities is upwards of 60,000 annually. The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food has estimated that about 95 per cent of the fish taken are destined for the eastern rivers of Scotland where recorded catches have fallen very seriously in recent years.

Over the past 25 years, HMG has commissioned various reports, including the Bledisloe Report in 1961 and the Hunter Reports in 1965 and 1965. In 1979 HMG acknowledged that legislation was necessary to protect British salmon stocks, but little of real significance has been done.

We believe that if the valuable salmon resources of the United Kingdom is to be preserved, HMG must take urgent action to up-date the old and enact new Salmon Fisheries legislation.

We suggest that a ban on drift netting for salmon off the entire English and Welsh coasts, as is already the case in Scottish waters, should be introduced and that Salmon Fisheries legislation in general should be up-dated and revised.

WELLINGTON, President, Atlantic Salmon Trust; NEIL W. GRAESSER; JOHN HOPKINSON; PETER GIFFARD; LANSDOWNE; E. S. EARL; PATRICK M. SELLER; JOHN REID; R. C. STEWART; G. W. S. BARRY; J. D. JONES; T. A. P. WALKER; HOME
Stratfield Saye, Hants.

Shaky case against the C of E

From Sir JAMES COBBAN

SIR—I read Miss Margot Lawrence's two articles on the Church of England with growing disbelief. Selective quotation from those on the extreme wings of the Church has enabled her to build up what seems at first glance to be a formidable case.

But what it all adds up to is something quite different from the Church of England, Catholic and Reformed, to which so many of us are proud to belong.

Two examples only of Miss Lawrence's logic must suffice. She points out, in her first article, as a weakness of the Church of England that so many ordained priests have come over from a different tradition; and in her second, again as proof of weakness, that so many are moving from the C of E into another communion. You can't have it both ways.

And this question of "red moles" in the Church. It is first mentioned as a matter for suspicion. Then the fact that there is no evidence is cited as proof of their ingenuity. A few lines later on their existence is regarded as a fact ("But who are the actual moles . . . ?").

I wish Miss Lawrence could have read, say, what the Bishop of Winchester or the Archbishop of Canterbury said in Synod in February about Christian belief, and the essential problem that it poses of conserving tradition while yet encouraging creative exploration.

I wish that she could have talked with some of that vast body of us who stand so firmly in the middle, able to use and enjoy both Book of Common Prayer and Alternative Service Book, anxious to preserve our Christian heritage, yet glad that we do not belong to a Church which never does anything for the first time.

Then she might have written a very different article.

JAMES COBBAN
Member, Gen. Synod, 1970-1985.
Sherborne, Dorset.

If British merchant fleet stood alone

SIR—If anything, Capt. A. W. Richardson (July 11) understates the gravity of the problem which would face the United Kingdom were our diminishing Merchant Navy to be called upon in war or danger of war simultaneously to meet a defence requirement and to continue to carry our economic sea traffic.

He writes that the British Merchant Fleet is "now in a position to support our forces in a major conflict or to support our island base — but not to do both." Is it?

Capt. Richardson himself pointed out that the overwhelming proportion of our trade is already carried in foreign hulls, and surely, if we were at war or threatened with war these would be withdrawn just at the moment when a military support requirement arose.

But to understand fully the peril in which our merchant marine shortage places us, it is necessary to free one's mind from stereotyped concepts of "war" and "peace". The most dangerous moment of history since the war was, arguably, the Cuban quarantine. On that occasion the Soviet Union backed away from its adventure for three reasons: fear of nuclear war, President Kennedy's resolve and her own relative naval incapacity. Not a shot was fired.

Since then, Russia has built up a massive navy, and it would be open to her to use it to "try it on" at sea.

Thus the Soviet Union could deliberately create the situation of which Capt. Richardson writes — in which the British Merchant Fleet, standing alone, could not meet simultaneous economic and military requirements. Thus, she could bring our economy to a standstill, starved of imports and denied the opportunity to export — and all this, too, without a single shot being fired.

To me, this is a threat far more real and thus far more dangerous than anything with which Mgr Bruce Kent would frighten us; for while Russia is as anxious as anybody else to avoid the nuclear war which would be catastrophic to everybody, she will — on past showing — willingly undertake such military adventures as she reckons she can get away with. This could be just such an adventure.

PETER KIMM
Capt.,
Emsworth, Hants.

Instant rapport

SIR—Staid diplomatic channels throughout the world should beware.

In one concerted effort the co-ordinators and performers of "Live Aid" with their unpaid endeavour have established rapport between nations that highly paid, high level government officials have failed to do.

They have welded together the future generations with their concern, talent and above all, communication.

RUTH SMITH
Winslow, Bucks.

Racial harmony

SIR—It is gratifying to read the admiring reports of pop concerts held here and in America in aid of famine relief, especially when they are so trouble free.

I have yet, however, to see or read anything about the pop concert held earlier this year in Johannesburg, when 100,000 South Africans of all races and colours raised money for "Operation Hunger." It was also a harmonious and trouble-free occasion.

D. JOHNSON
Haverhill, Suffolk.

Sound echoes

SIR—I am grateful to Mr Harry Memory for his letter (July 11) because he apparently enjoys normal hearing and yet is sympathetic towards people like myself who have the utmost difficulty when attending any gatherings to hear all that is being said.

The National Health Service aids are effective for normal conversation but I have a very low percentage of hearing efficiency in any hall however near I sit to the source of the sound. This is due to the echoing of the sound in the space which distorts the reception.

Where the Induction Loop System is installed I switch to the T-position and I get a 100 per cent. clear reception with no outside interference. This has to be experienced to be believed.

I have been surprised that more venues have not been fitted with the equipment—particularly churches where the acoustics make it impossible for people like me to hear what is being said even though equipment more expensive than the Induction Loop has been fitted.

J. G. HARTRIDGE
Leicester.

Without comment

SIR—Foreign residents in Moscow were given an unheralded treat when the All-England Tennis Championships were relayed live on Moscow Channel 4.

Although the pictures were excellent the B B C commentary was excluded: the only sound relayed was the crowd reaction and the umpire giving the score. My wife and I found this acceptable in the absence of comments by "experts" were not missed and we were able to form our own judgments. It was just like being there.

Other sports programmes such as cricket and football would also benefit by the exclusion of the commentaries which are often obvious and the revenue savings could go towards the new White City broadcasting centre and perhaps help to keep licence fees at acceptable levels.

JOHN ALLEN
Nat. Westminster Bank,
Moscow.

Drug problem worsened

SIR—At the risk of being denounced as an "indecent citizen" I wish to state my disagreement with the views of Lord Lane and Mr Michael Aaronson (July 12).

Mr Aaronson blurs what is a clear distinction between murder and selling substances in a free exchange, which may then harm the health of the buyer.

The implications for liberty of Mr Aaronson's proposal are unthinkable: are we to see the execution of tobacco and alcohol producers and of the shopkeepers and publicans who sell these goods to the consumer?

The contributions made by Lord Lane, Mr Aaronson and others to the "drug problem" is to worsen it by the creation of a ritual scapegoat to explain society's ills. No solution to the "problem" will come until politicians stop trying to solve the "problem."

A free market in narcotics would eliminate many unpleasant side-effects: with a lower price there would be no need for an addict to steal or to "push" the drug to finance his habit: competition would drive out the unscrupulous gangsters who now dominate the market: and free exchange of information would reduce the sale of impure, and therefore dangerous "fixes."

Draconian measures are no solution, liberal ones are.

N. ELLIOTT
London, E.4.

Loss of habitat

SIR—I should like to reply to the letter "Persecuted Birds" (July 8). Mr E. Churchill is correct in saying that the decline in birdsong is largely due to loss of habitat and insecticides.

The habitat of this country has been squeezed like a sponge by modern development and only the more clever and adaptable birds have discovered the closer they are to man the safer they are.

Nature provides all her species with some form of protection and those that have suffered most are the ones who rely solely on concealment for their safety.

Crows and magpies (particularly the latter) have increased enormously in numbers over the last few years, and unless they are "culled" some of our rare species, already on the danger list, are bound to disappear.

They cannot cope with loss of habitat, food and heavy predation.

No one wants to see crows and magpies exterminated and Mr Churchill need have no fear of this: they are far too numerous and cartridges are far too dear for this to happen. But we must help the species who stand in need of it.

ROBERT APLIN
Banbury, Oxon.

Secret baptism

SIR—Peterborough commented in his item headed "Cardinal Sin?" (July 10) on the sale of the mitre by Augustin of Cardinal Thomas Wolsey and his daughter. May I comment on two points?

The secretly baptised grandson was indeed Henry Hugh Clifford, V.C., but he was the brother of the 8th Lord Clifford and was given the title Geo. Sir Henry Hugh Clifford—never a peerage.

The buyer at Sotheby's bid £52,000 and the premium payment to Sotheby's elevated the figure to the £55,000 mentioned.

T. H. CLIFFORD
Chudleigh, Devon.

Drug death girl, 14, in council care, 'was a stripper'

By GUY RAIS

A GIRL of 14 from a broken home who was taken into care by Wandsworth Council, stayed out all night from a children's home to work as a Soho stripper, an inquest heard yesterday.

Michelle Bartlett, said to be a child who craved affection, died after taking a drug overdose. A post mortem examination revealed she had taken penicillin and paracetamol, but there was no trace of any narcotics.

During evidence at the inquest, it was revealed that on the day Michelle took an overdose she was upset at the death from cancer of a social worker named John for whom she had formed an attachment.

The man was said by Dr Paul Knapman, the coroner, to have acted "with complete propriety."

Recording a verdict of Death by Misadventure, Dr Knapman said he did not believe suicide was the correct verdict.

"The mystery is: what was it that made her die so quickly. The professional people we have heard have given us no definite evidence."

Michelel was taken into voluntary care at the Council's Family Resource Centre in Wilna Road, Wandsworth, in January after difficulties at home with her father who re-married when she was nine.

No training

The inquest was told that on many nights she slipped out of bed and went to Soho strip clubs, returning in the early hours. Sometimes she stayed away a whole day with apparently little concern shown by social workers.

One of the social workers at the home told the coroner she had had no first-aid training. Tracy Peters, a residential social worker at the centre, said she saw Michelle on May 10, the day she collapsed.

"She gave me a hug and linked her arm through mine in such a way that I could see scratches on her arm. When I suggested they might have been done by our kitten, she said she had tried to slit her wrist.

"I asked her why and she replied: 'Because of John. I want to be with him.'" Later she said Michelle claimed she had taken an overdose "but I did not believe her."

Swallowed tablets

But after returning to Michelle's bedroom about 15 minutes later she saw her lying on the bed and clutching her stomach. She admitted having swallowed some tablets.

"I did not believe her but stayed for a few minutes and then left. I returned about 15 minutes later and found Michelle lying on the bad. I shook her but could not get any response." An ambulance was then called.

Questioned about her qualifications, Miss Peters said she had no training as a social worker, but had been employed previously as a cook at the home.

Mrs Linda Allen, a friend, of Crieff Road, Wandsworth, told of seeing Michelle on the day she took an overdose. "She was upset at her social worker's death and showed me a photograph of him.

"She told me she was going to marry him, and when I told her not to be silly as she was only 14, she replied: "That doesn't matter, I'll be seeing him soon anyway."

Sex denial

Michelle's father, Mr Mervyn Bartlett, a security officer, of Waverton Road, Wandsworth, denied a suggestion by Mr Simon Birks, representing the girl's mother, that he had "interfered" sexually with her. "No, sir, under no circumstances," he replied.

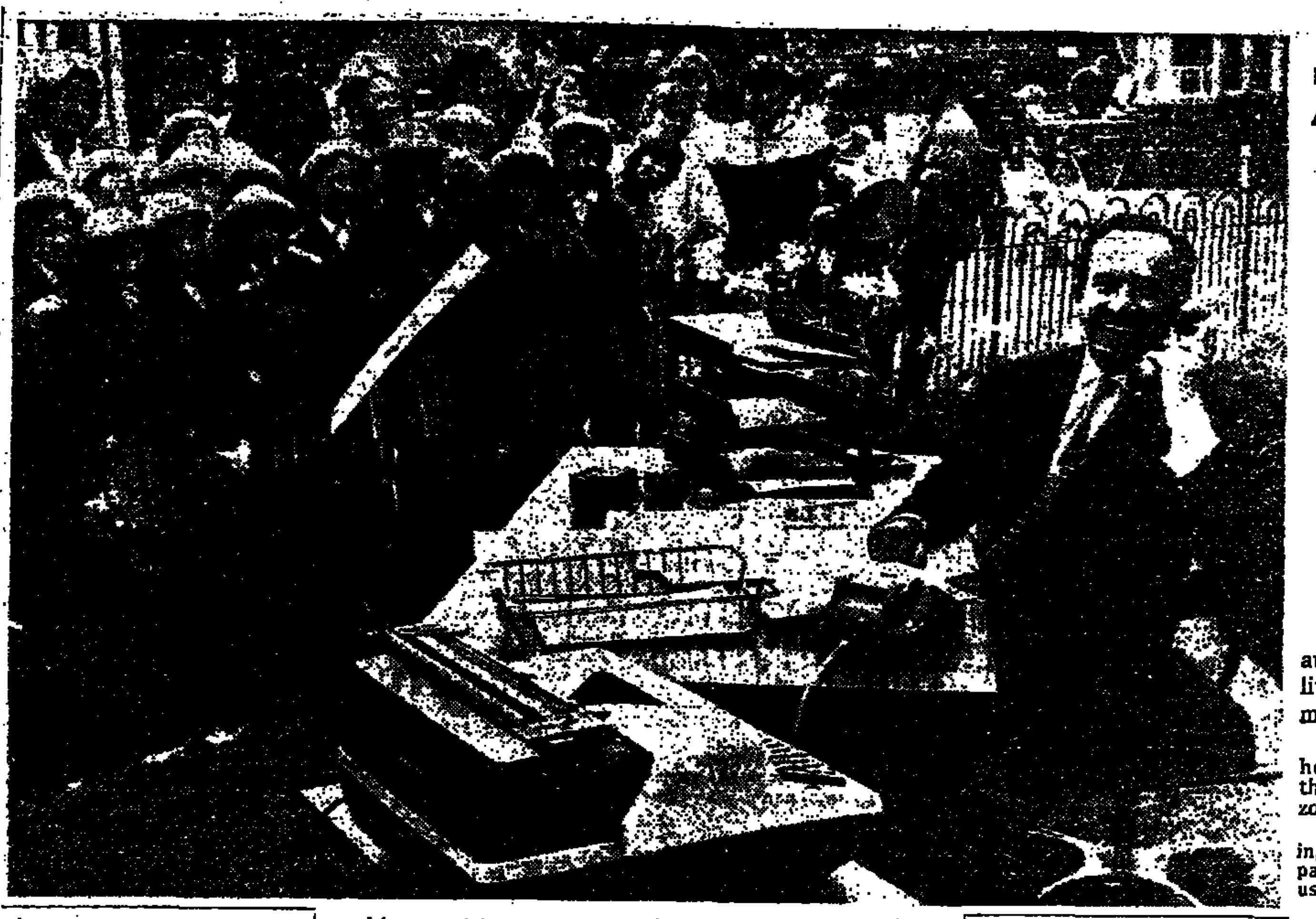
Police Sgt Anthony Tait, who compiled a dossier on Michelle before her death, said she was reported missing to the police on some 10 occasions during April.

He made inquiries in Soho and discovered that she had been working on two consecutive nights as a stripper at the Carnival Strip Club in Old Compton Street, between March and April.

Another social worker, Miss Jane Hughes, said she tried to talk to Michelle about her absence at night, "but if she did not want to tell me, that was an an end to it."

Mr Paul Ballat, a field social worker, said discussions to move her to "secure accommodation" had been going on, "but unfortunately this was overtaken by events."

Dr Colin Johnson, who examined Michelle when she was admitted to St George's Hospital, Tooting, on May 10, said he could not explain why she was found unconscious within half an hour of taking Paracetamal and penicillin.



Young visitors enjoying the antics of the latest erhibit at London Zoo—homo sapiens urbanus.

Zoo's homo urbanus exhibits stress when pressed

By KEITH NURSE

HOMO SAPIENS urbanus, in the shape of Alberto Vidal, a Spanish mime artist, went on show at London Zoo yesterday in a preview of his two-day performance as harassed urban man in his natural habitat.

Mr Vidal, 38, has made an art and a comfortable living out of portraying man the city dweller.

On Saturday and Sunday he will become an exhibit on the Members' lawn at the zoo.

He will be seen eating, washing, shaving, reading newspapers, watching television and using the telephone.

"I exhibit life," he said yesterday. He sat at a desk on the damp lawn and fielded a barrage of questions from the Press. Only towards the end of the photo-call did Mr Vidal show real-life signs of everyday sensitivity and irritation.

Holding banana

He was obligingly going through one of his well-prepared routines wearing dark glasses and inexplicably holding a banana.

However, tired of all the media fuss, he suddenly withdrew. "I am sorry I am a bit cross with this action. In performance, yes, but not now.

Mr Vidal, who will be appearing as part of the London International Festival of Theatre, said: "People come to the zoo to see animal behaviour, so why not come to see human behaviour."

Did he expect his audience to take the performance seriously? "Why not? I take seriously the public. Is not life a performance?"

Feeding time

In his "feeding time" sequence, an acknowledged hit when he appeared at Miami's Metro Zoo last October, he said he thoroughly enjoyed accepting biscuits from the public.

He was quite unruffled by the reaction of the animals to his presence.

"The tortoises in Miami were very kind. I slept in the same enclosure as them and they did not disturb me."

After his Miami performance, Vidal was said to have flown home some £8,333 better off. It seems unlikely that his fee in London will be anything like that. When questioned on the subject he refused to comment.

£29,632 FOR WRECKED SEX LIFE

A ROAD CRASH victim was awarded £29,632 in damages yesterday for injuries that have wrecked his marriage.

Severe facial scarring had robbed Mr Albert Bailey, 50, and his wife Eira, 40, of the joy of kissing and making love, said Judge Harris, QC, in the High Court.

Mr Bailey, of Leaves Spring, Stevanage, Herts, broke most of his teeth in the accident and had to have about 40 stitches in his wounds.

Before the accident Mr Bailey and his wife had made love every day, but since, they had had sex only every two or three months.

'Like sponge'

Mrs Bailey, who is virtually blind, had told the judge that tactile sensation was very important to her and, before the accident her husband's kisses had "turned her on."

Now, because of the injuries, "his lips feel enormous and just like sponge" because he has no feeling in them.

"I do love Albert, but it makes me feel sick to kiss him," said Mrs Bailey in tears. "It just switches me off."

Sex was no longer a pleasure but a "duty." They had talked about getting a divorce every week since the accident, she said. Her husband's personality had changed from a chatty, confi- depressed and introverted person.

The damages, with costs, were awarded against the owners of the other car in the crash, GKN Distributors Ltd, of Woden Road, West Wednesbury, West Midlands, who had not contested liability.

BISHOP APPOINTED

Dr Thomas Butler, Archdeacon of Northolt, has been appointed Bishop of Willesden, in succession to the Rt Rev Geoffrey Hewlett Thompson who has been appointed Bishop of Exeter.

Art Sales

£43,200 FOR EGYPTIAN CAT BRONZE

AN Egyptian bronze figure of a seated cat dating from the 5th-4th century B C fetched £43,200 (estimate £16,000-£20,000) in an auction of antiquities at Christie's in London yesterday.

A $6\frac{1}{2}$-inch high Romano-British solid bronze figure of a stag from Southern England dating from about the 1st century AD made £50,240 (estimate £6,000-£8,000).

A group of four stars, formerly the personal decorations of King George V went to a London dealer for £6,734 in an auction of medals at Christie's.

The group, which includes the Star of the order of the Thistle and the order of the Star of India, were reduced size decorations so that other awards could be worn at the same time.

A sale of the contents of Sissinghurst Court, Sissinghurst, Kent, made £194,694 in an auction held on the premises by Sotherby's yesterday. The sale was in aid of the Kent Trust for Nature Conservation, which manages more than 36 nature reserves covering some 3,000 acres in the county.

SCIENTISTS FACE PAY CUT

By Nigel Wade in Moscow

Salaries of Soviet scientists and technicians would be linked to their productivity, the Kremlin said yesterday. Those judged to be making less than their full contribution could have their salaries cut.

In an attempt to connect research more closely with industrial application, scientists, technicians and engineers will be eligible for bonuses up to 50 per cent if they can make a "personal contribution to the acceleration of scientific-technical progress."

BULL FIGHTING UNDER FIRE

Mr Richard Cottrell, Conservative Euro-M P for Bristol and Bath, yesterday urged travel agencies not to include visits to bull-fights in Spain and Portugal on their holiday programmes this summer.

He said arena authorities admitted that without tourist money what he described as "the barbaric ritual torture of animals," would collapse. An opinion poll commissioned by the Spanish government had revealed a majority against bull-fighting.

'LACK OF HELP' FOR MOTHERS

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

THE lack of professional help for pregnant women who undergo the shattering experience of finding that their baby will be born handicapped is criticised in a report today.

A study of 733 pregnant women who attended King's College Hospital, Dulwich, for suspected abnormalities found that the majority had not been told by their doctors why they were being sent.

Those who subsequently decided on an abortion were not offered counselling for the abnormality detected nor emotional support to help them to cope with their loss.

Yet these mothers suffer a terrible sense of loss and a feeling of personal guilt over deliberately aborting a much-wanted baby.

The report, by Miss Sara Kenyon, midwifery sister in charge at King's College Hospital, said that the majority regretted the termination even though common sense told them the decision was right.

Arranging burial

"The overwhelming emotion when they first arrived home was a feeling of isolation and sadness and a feeling that this hadn't happened to anyone else." Many felt guilty about what they had done. Some mothers felt that even strangers would know what they had done and avoided going out.

At the time of the termination many women felt that arranging for the burial of the baby would have been too much to cope with. "This was something that they regretted afterwards and many of them asked what happened to the babies' bodies.

Miss Kenyon says that while understanding the doctors' reasons for not alarming them, most parents felt it would have been less worrying to have been told why they were being referred to hospital.

The report calls for more information to be given to parents and for more counselling to be offered to those who undergo abortions.

COACH CRASH DEATHS 'ACCIDENTAL'

Verdicts of accidental death were recorded at an inquest in Thetford, Norfolk, yesterday on four women who died after a coach crash at Attleborogh, Norfolk, last month.

The coach was in collision with a French lorry driven by Marcel Dotal, 39, of Cawdrey, France, who was fined £100 for careless driving a few days after the crash. He was not at the inquest.

Mr Ernest Clark, district coroner, said of the coach driver, Mr Jim Neale, of North Street, Burwell, Cambridge. "If it wasn't for his good driving the crash might have been much worse and he is to be congratulated for that."

Those who died were Mrs Jean Harbott, 50, of Norfolk Road; Mrs Lillian McHarn, 60, of Redcastle Road; both from Thetford; Mrs Florence Lewandowski, 63, of Michigan, United States, and Mrs Dorothy Bence, 75, of Canons Walk, Thetford, who died later in hospital.

DAVID BAILEY IN THIRD DIVORCE

David Bailey, 47, the photographer, was divorced in London yesterday from his third wife Marie Helvin, 33, a model. It was granted because of her adultery with an unnamed man.

The couple married in November 1975. Mr Bailey, of Gloucester Avenue, Camden Town, became a father for the first time last month when Miss Catherine Dyer, 23, a model, gave birth to a daughter.

ARROWHEADS FOUND

Flint arrowheads and remains of pottery have been found by archaeologists on the site of a settlement dating from 6000 B C at Barton-under-Needwood, Staffordshire.

Obituary

Heinrich Boll, literary lion of W. Germany

By DAVID HOLLOWAY

ALTHOUGH, together with Günther Grass, Heinrich Böll was one of the most widely read in Britain of the authors who emerged in Germany after the 1939-45 war, it is difficult for British readers to appreciate his importance in Western Germany.

Heinrich Böll

The best parallel is perhaps with Graham Greene. Böll, like Greene, was a Roman Catholic and a strong critic of his church.

Unlike Greene, though, he was a political activist and deeply involved in support of the "Ostpolitik" of Herr Brandt and in anti-nuclear protests.

Despite this, it is as a novelist and short story writer that Böll will be most remembered. His talent was tremendous and he was never satisfied with any one form of fiction.

This had led him to be compared at different times with Thomas Mann, Hemingway and Camus. Yet he was very much his own man.

Hailed as 'classic'

Böll first became known in his own country with a short "Time" (1947) which drew on his own experience as a private in the German army.

It was more than 20 years before the book was translated into English. Then it was hailed as "a classic of war literature."

The novel which made his name in Britain was published here in 1961—"Billiards at Half Past Nine". was Böll's most directly accessible novel, describing how one man built a cathedral and his son was forced to destroy it.

The allegory of the rise of Nazi Germany is obvious.

"The Clown", published in Britain in 1965, is Böll's most accomplished and powerful novel, describing the thoughts and conversations over the telephone of a crippled mime-artist.

Great stylist

The work named in his citation in 1972 for the Nobel Prize for Literature, was published in Germany in 1971 as "Group Portrait with Lady". This showed the beginnings of Böll's concentration on public affairs and was less interesting as a novel.

In the last decade or so, Böll wrote less, though his "Irish Journal", describing the time soon after the war that he spent living on a small island off the Irish coast, was much admired.

A short fictionalised autobiographical fragment, "What's to Become of the Boy" was published in Britain last year.

Whatever mode of writing he chose, Böll was always a great stylist and in any age would have been an author of distinction.

It was his particular role to represent the arrival of a new German literature after the destruction of writing by the Nazis.

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ANTI-PREGNANCY VACCINE TRIALS

By Our Adelaide Correspondent

The first human trials of an anti-preganancy vaccine are to be held at the Flinders Medical Centre, Adelaide. The centre has been chosen by the World Health Organisation for the trials, which will initially involve 30 volunteer women.

The vaccine has been developed over the past decade by the W H O, the Swiss pharmaceutical company Sandoz, and the University of Ohio. The vaccine, considered the most important step in coitraception since development of the birth-control pill, would promote "immunity" against pregnancy for 18 months at a time.

Tale of Tom Kitten and the planners

By JOHN WILLIAMS

MITTENS, Tom Kiten, Moppe and the Puddle-ducks became part of the official record yesterday when an inquiry opened into the refusal of planners to allow the conversion of a cottage in Beatrix Potter's village.

The owner, Mr Dennis Lambert, a former councillor, is appealing against the rejection of his application for conversion of Buckle Yeat Cottage, next to the story writer's Hill Top home, near Sawrey, Ambleside.

Mr Lambert is seeking to change the cottage into a guest house, tea-room and shop and to demolish a saw-mill.

But the scheme has aroused controversy in the village with the newly-formed Sawrey Conservation Society, which has collected more than 400 signatures against the project, the main objectors.

A copy of Beatrix Potter's "The Tale of Tom Kitten", which has ann illustration of the 19th cantury cottage, was handed to the inquiry inspector, Mr Kenneth Lytton, when the appeal opened at Hawkshead town hall.

Presenting the book, Mr John Hoggett, counsel for Mr Lambert, said that there was a need in the village, which has a resident population of 75, for a further guest house, particularly a year-round one, and also for a restaurant and general shop.

View not affected

He said there had been no good planning grounds for refusal, particularly after the proposal had been amended, and it had only been rejected following "vociferous opposition" from local people.

Mr Lambert said that he hoped to demolish the adjoining saw-mill and re-establish the site as Beatrix Potter would have known it.

Hill Top attracted 75,000 visitors a year, but his proposals would not affect the view of Buckle Yeat as shown in her book, and the scheme would bring an insignifican number of extra tourists.

Mr Lambert, who disclosed that his offer to sell the cottage to the National Trust for £95,000 had been rejected, said that his scheme was more in keeping with the village than the trus's new shop a Hill Top selling books, guides and souvenirs.

"Does the National Trust have to have a monopoly?" he asked.

The inquiry continues.

Father fights to see heart transplant boy

A BOY aged five who has only a few weeks to live unless a heart and lung transplant donor can be found has become the subject of a courtroom battle between his parents.

Martin Burke is in Harefield Hospital, Middlesex, awaiting a transplant operation.

His father, Mr Paul Windever, 23, who has bene denied access to him since the couple split up four years ago, has now served a summons on Martin's mother, Mrs Judith Burke, 25, to try to gain access.

At his home in Southbrook Road, Netherley, Liverpool, Martin's father said last night: "This could be my last chance to see my son.

"I've been trying to visit him for four years. I have sent birthday and Christmas presents, but Judith hasn't let me go near him. The last thing I want to do is hurt him."

Mrs Burke was yesterday said to be "devastated" by the legal moves to gain access to Martin, and the news that she may have to leave her son's hospital bedside for the county court hearing in Liverpool next Monday.

Mr Windever's solicitor said yesterday that he had made efforts to see Martin in the past by had ben prevented.

He had only found out about Martin's condition from newspapers and the television, and that had upset him. He simply wanted to hold the boy in his arms.

Martin was born with his heart back to front. At Christmas he had an operation after the valves in his heart had collapsed, but soon afterwards a lung collapsed too.

Surgeons have launched a world-wide appeal for a donor, and cash has been pouring into a fund set up by Mrs Burke's family

£6m pledge to Band Aid was probably a hoax

THE Bank Aid trust for famine relief was yesterday treating a pledge of £6 million from an anonymous American as a hoax.

The trust's accountant Mr Philip Rusted said a telex promising the sum was sent after the transatlantic Live Aid concert at the weekend but a contact telephone number for the donor proved to be unlisted.

The Prince of Wales has made a donation to the appeal, it was disclosed by Buckingham Palace last night.

Neither the palace nor the organisers were prepared to give details of the donation by the Prince who attended the concert at Wembley Stadium.

Pounds pour in

Banks, post offices and building societies were "very busy" yesterday as hundreds of thousands of pounds were paid in across the counter for the appeal.

The Halifax Building Society said it took £500,000 in its 3,000 British branches and agencies. Donations will continue to be accepted by the society until Aug. 9.

A special sorting squad at the National Girobank in Liverpool, where postal donations were requested, said the first day's takings topped £1,320,000.

About £4 million is expected from Britain in donations with another £1,746,000 from Wembley ticket sales.

Before the concert the Government agred to waive £216,000 V A T on the tickets, accepting £54,000 on the basis that £20 of the £25 ticket price formed a charitable donation and was tax exempt.

£40 million total

The worldwide response to the transatlantic rock spectacle involving concerts at Wembley and the John F. Kennedy stadium in Philadelphia, generated an estimated £40 million.

How to use the money will be discused at a meeting in London tomorrow of the Band Aid trustees, who are: Bob Geldof, "Midge" Ure, Sir Michael Grade, Mr Maurice Oberstein, Mr Harvey Goldsmith, Mr Christopher Morison, and Mr John Kennedy.

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ACCOUNT: July 15-July 26.
PAY DAY: August 5.
BARGAINS TRANSACTED: 19,950.
RISES: 355. FALLS: 304.
UNCHANGED: 1,077.
EQUITY TURNOVERS (July 15).
Number of bargains 16,356.
Value £273·2 million.
Shares traded 149·9 million.

F.T. STOCK INDICES, July 16, 1985

	Index	Change	1985 High	1985 Low
Indust. Ord.	923·7	— 8·5	1024·5	923·1
Govt. Sec.	83·18	+ 0·6	83·12	78·02
Gold Mines	399·0	— 0·5	536·9	392·4
Fixed Int.	87·66	— 0·16	87·66	82·17
Ord. Div. p.c.	5·03	— 0·04	5·29	4·22
Earn Yld p.c.	12·47	— 0·09	12·49	9·60
FT-SE 100:	1239·5	— 4·1	1342·4	1233·1

JOBBERS marked prices higher at the opening of London stock markets yesterday on further consideration of the reduction in base rates and the cheerful glow from excellent retail sales figures.

However, investors were clearly influenced by a gloomy report from industrialists in the West Midlands and deteriorating conditions in leading engineering shares soon affected the overall market tone.

With sterling putting up a sound performance despite the cheaper money moves, major dollar earners came under renewed pressure and **Imperial Chemical Industries** plumbed a new "low" of 689p before closing 11 lower on the day at 691p.

Some brokers took the view that further cuts in base rates are possible shortly and were suggesting that the market could be due for a lively technical bounce, but others remained pessimistic about short-term prospects.

The "30" share index, which was 5·2 higher at 10 a.m., finished the session with a net fall of 8·5 at 923·7, while the "100" was finally 4·1 down on balance at 1239·5, after an early rise to 1250·8.

The market in government securities survived a mid-morning test when profit-taking pared early gains from £⅜ to £⅛ and the final tone was described as "very satisfactory" against the background of discussion about prospective further cuts in interest rates.

The closing price lists recorded widespread net rises of up to £⅜, although the index-linked stocks remained out of favour.

Leading bank shares were unsettled by the Bank of England Deputy Governor's remarks on unsecured loans and recent hopes related to the interim results season, due to start on July 31 with the figures from **National Westminster**, were almost forgotten. **Barclays** ended 12 down at 402p, **Lloyds** 13 off at 404p, **National Westminster** 10 lower at 694p, and **Midland** 5 easier at 392p.

Apart from dollar earnings worries, **Hawker Siddeley** had to contend with the general decline in engineering stocks; the shares ended 12 down at 375p, after 367p. Falls of 12 were also seen in **G K N**, at 212p, **Metal Box**, at 438p. British Aerospace issues were on offer, the Ordinary, at 326p, and the partly paid, at 156p, both falling 4p. Vickers lost ground in late business and ended 16 lower at 261p.

In contrast, **T I Group** followed-up Monday's advance of 26p with a further gain of 12 at 286p: there was persistent market gossip about a stake-building operation, possibly connected with renewed interest by **Heron Corporation**, but jobbers remained sceptical.

Arthur Bell ended unchanged at 236p, after 242p, on hopes of an early announcement that the Guinness offer for the group will avoid reference to the Monopolies Commission; some dealers were expecting a statement on the subject today.

The building share section continued to attract selective investment demand. **English China Clays** were said to be meeting institutional support following the recent placing of the rump of the rights issue; the company's shares ended 10 higher at 235p. The results from **H A T Group** were well received and the shares closed 2 firmer at 98p, after 101p.

Renewed suggestions that British Petroleum could still be interested in **Johnson Matthey**, particularly after study of last week's results, left the latter's shares another 2 better at 105p.

Those stock market men who believe they can spot potential winners by keeping a close watch on shares which move against the general trend again commented on **Stewart Plastics**, which gained 5 to a new "high" of 125p.

Sudden demand in a thin market lifted the shares of seeds growers and merchants, **Charles Sharpe**, which ended 55 up at 360p. Following Monday's reaction of 25p in the wake of cautious comment, **Berkeley Technology** rallied 15 to 85p.

Imperial Group enjoyed a flurry of interest up to 175p in early business, a movement which inevitably encouraged new speculation about the possible HoJo sale, but sellers then appeared on the scene and the shares fell back to their overnight level of 169p.

British Telecom were firmer at 177p, while other leaders to show minor gains were **Hanson Trust**, at 186p, and **Lucas Industries**, at 295p. **Pentland Industries** rose to 280p before closing 5 easier on the day at 265p. Recent newcomer **Isotron** improved afresh to 193p before profit-taking left the price 2p easier on balance at 183p, compared with the tender striking level of 125p.

Stonehill Holdings were again wanted at 112p, while the respective results brought gains in **Howden Group**, at 94½p, **D. F. Bevan**, at 21p, **Brunning Group**, at 136p, and **Robert Kitchen Taylor**, at 190p.

Early gains in leading electricals were quickly eliminated as account operators snatched modest profits. **Plessey**, at 134p, and **G E C**, at 166p, both closed 2p easier, after initial prices of 140p and 170p respectively. **Thorn E M I** finished 8 down at 324p, after 335p, and **Ferranti** 4 lower at 126p, after 135p.

In foods, **Hazlewoods** were quoted ex the "rights" issue: the old shares ended a shade firmer at 618p, while the new finished at 408p premium, after 415p premium. The results from **Normans Group** were judged satisfactory, but small sellers left the shares 3 easier at 71½p.

Still reflecting the surprisingly high level of consumer spending, stores shares made a bright start, but subsequently closed below the best in line with the general market conditions.

Great Universal "A" ended unchanged at 797p, after 807p. Dealers in **Debenhams** were talking about a possible new offer from Burton Group, perhaps today, but **Debenhams** shares were rather stagnant at 327p. **Etam** attracted demand at 190p, a rise of 16p, while gains of about 10p were seen in **J. Menzies**, at 271p, **Owen Owen**, at 260p, **Our Price**, at 530p, and **Liberty**, at 650p.

Burmah Oil rose 6 to 270p on renewed takeover speculation, while **North Sea & General** gained 10 to 98p on whispers of a possible offer from Broken Hill Proprietary. **British Borneo** advanced 12 to 340p on news of the I E P Securities stake.

Tailpiece

EXPANDING activities in urban renewal by **Regalian Properties**, the company which specialises in the redevelopment of old blocks of council flats and other dwellings into refurbished properties for sale to the private sector, has proved of sound benefit to the group's share price, up from 90p at the time of our mention in January 1984 to the current 182p.

No doubt taking account of generally uncertain market conditions, a reader has asked whether he should take his handsome profit. While we never attempt to dissuade "Tailpiece" followers from realising profits, the situation of Regalian is such that further strength looks on the cards over the years ahead.

Analysts are talking about a four to five-year profit growth to somewhere in the region of £55 million, against £2·23 million for the period ended March 1985, hence the view that the price/earnings ratio of 12 does not look an expensive rating at this time.

BRITISH FUNDS

Short-dated (up to five years)

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8% Cv. 85	£99⅞	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12½% 1985	£100⅛	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1986	£100⅜	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10½% Cv. 86	£99⅞	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 3% 1986	£93	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fd. 12% 84-86	£99⅞	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 1986	£100⅛	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 6% 84-86	£97	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 14% 1986	£103⅝	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 2½% 1986	£93½	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 13% 1987	£103⅝	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10½% Cv. 87	£99⅞	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 2½% 1987	£91⅞	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10½% 1987	£99½	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fund. 6½% 85-87	£93⅝	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1987	£98⅜	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 3% 1987	£90⅜	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1987	£102	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 7¾% 85-88	£95⅛	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10½% 1988	£99	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9½% 1988	£96	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Transp. 3% 78-88	£86	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9½% 1988	£96	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 11½% 1989	£101⅞	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9½% 1989	£96	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 5% 86-89	£88	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10½% 1989	£98	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1989	£96	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1989	£99	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 5% 86-89	£84	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 1990	£107	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1990	£100	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12½% 1990	£105	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8¼% 87-90	£90	+ ⅛

Medium-dated (five to fifteen)

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Long-dated (over fifteen)

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 15% 2000	£117	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 14% 1998-01	£123	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conv. 9½% 2001	£94	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 99-02	£109	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conv. 10% 2002	£99	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Undated

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Consols 4%	£35	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	War Loan 3½%	£39	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conversion 3½%	£41	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treasury 3%	£30	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Consols 2½%	£23	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treasury 2½%	£23	..

Index linked

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

COMMONWEALTH & AFRICAN STOCKS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Aust. 13½% 2010	£115	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	N.Z. 14½% 1987	£105	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	N.Z. 7½% 1988-92	£81¼	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	S.Rh. 2½% 65-70	£99	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	S.Rh. 4½% 87-92 As	£71	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Zimbabwe Ann	£381	..

CORPORATION STOCKS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Leeds 13½% 2006	£121½	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	L.C.C. 5½% 85-87	£90½	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	L.C.C. 6½% 88-90	£83½	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	L.C.C. 3% 20 Aft	£25	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Swansea 13¾% 2006	£122	..

FOREIGN STOCKS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	121	China 5% 1912	121	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	China 5% Boxer	£11	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Commerzbank	£101	..
156	152	Greek 4% 1910	156	..
162	158	Greek 7% Ref.	162	..
159	155	Greek Stab A	159	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Honda Motor	£34	+ ½
[illegible]	[illegible]	Volkswagen	173	— 5

DOLLAR STOCKS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Alcan Aluminium	£17⅛	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Amax	£10	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Amer. Express	£34	— ½
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bell Canada	£23	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bow Valley	775	— 15
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bowater Inc	£17	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Can. Pacific Ord.	£10	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Chrysler	£24	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Du Pont	£42⅛	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exxon	£38	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	General Foods	£59	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gillette	£44½	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gulf Canada	925	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hudson Bay	£12	— ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	I.B.M.	£90	— 1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Inco	975	— 15
[illegible]	[illegible]	Massey Ferguson	152	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pan Canadian	£16	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Royal of Canada	£16	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sperry Corp.	£37	+ ¼
[illegible]	[illegible]	Teck Corpn. "B"	668	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tenneco	£30	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.S. Steel	£19	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Woolworth	£31	+ ⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Xerox	£39	+ ⅛

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
387	225	A.N.Z. Group	255	— 8
136	92	Allied Irish	124	— 1
85	46	Ansbacher, H.	53	..
256	200	Baltic	198	..
515	228	Bk. of Ireland	315	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bk. Leumi U.K.	260	— 10
413	287	Bk. of Scotland	400	+ 5
419	332	Barclays	402	— 12
415	380	Brown Shipley	430	— 5
545	470	Cater Allen	480	— 5
53	33½	Cattle's Hldgs	30½	..
72	38	Clive Discount	40	..
37	27	Com. Bk. Wales	32	..
104½	74	First. Nat. Fin	96½	+ 1½
372	285	Gerrard Nat	308	+ 3
104	46	Goode D'Mre	64	..
77	57	Guinness Peat	64	..
182	135	Hambros	135	..
353	275	Hill Samuel	280	..
97	70	Hongk. Shang.	71	— 1
275	235	Joseph, Leo	270	..
186	154	King & Shax.	154	..
505	375	Kleinwort B.	385	+ 5
419	345	Lloyds	404	— 13
72	60	Lon. Scot. Fin	59	..
30	21	Manson Finan	22	..
500	400	Mercury Secs.	455	— 5
597	325	Midland	392	— 5
210	173	N. Australia	230	— 3
717	567	Nat. Westmnr	694	— 10
187	168½	Ottoman Bank	180	..
229	192	Provident Fin	214	..
78	65	Rea Bros. 'A'	67	..
113	95	Rothschild J. Hls	92	..
294	228	Ryl Bank Scot	262	— 2
865	725	Schroder	880	— 3
49	38	Smith St. Abn	45	..
533	448	Standrd Chart	485	— 2
710	650	Union Disc'nt	700	+ 10
79	58	Wagon Finan.	72	..
257	175	Westpac	230	+ 3
275	240	Wintrust	270	..

BREWERIES

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
230	154	Allied Lyons	226	+ 4
572	472	Bass	543	+ 1
60	38	Bellhaven	45	..
275	130	Bell Arthur	236	..
87	67	Boddingtons	68	..
448	268	Brown M'thew	368	..
77	50	Buckley	77	+ 1
167	118	Bulmer H.P.	135	..
575	450	Clark, Matthew	565	..
263	133½	Davenports	240	..
615	415	Devenish J.A.	570	..
321	275	Distillers	285	— 2
455	420	ForshawsBurt	440	..
186	156	Greenall Whit	163	..
174	146	Greene King	163	+ 2
252	224	Guinness	250	— 2
375	325	Hardy & Hans	368	..
76	58	Highland Dist	74	..
141	123	Invergordon	135	— 1
71	57	MarstonThom	72	+ 1
385	310	zMerrydown	320	..
160	130	zBuddle	138	— 2
145½	127	Scottish & Ne.	143	— 1
327	245	S. A. Brews.	320	..
315	258	Vaux Brews.	293	— 2
230	184	Whitbread 'A'	214	— 3
336	330	Wolverhmptn	326	..
245	190	Young 'A'	190	..

BUILDINGS & ROADS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
270	237	AMEC	265	..
57	50	Abbey Ltd.	56	..
202	176	AberdeenCons	186	+ 2
25	17	Allied Plant	17½	..
54	26	ArnclifeHldgs	52	..
110	84	Attwoods	85	— 1
266	206	BaggeridgeBk	260	..
32	20	Bailey Benn	20	..
90	54	Barratt Devel.	74	..
138	112	Bellway Ltd.	119	— 5
71	60	Benford Conc.	66	— 1
170	150	z Berkeley Gp	160	— 2
64	50	Bett. Bros.	51	..
650	540	Blockleys	650	..
560	468	Blue Circle	530	— 3
280	215	B.P.B. Indust	265	+ 8
222	190	BreedonCloud	212	+ 2
80	56	Brit. Dredging	66	..
22	11	Brown & Jack	12	..
79	64	Brownlee	68	..
77	64	Bryant Hldgs.	68	..
190	35	Burnt & Hlsh	35	..
55	50	CakebreadR'A'	52	..
95	50	Carr, John	90	— 1
90	58	Cement Rdstn	70	..
48	35	Chesmulnster	37	— 1
64	40	Conder Int	60	..
61	26	Copson, F.	53	..
412	334	Costain Group	412	+ 2
262	204	Countryside	250	+ 3
106	80	Crouch, D.	96	..
80	60	Dew George	74	— 2

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
[illegible]	[illegible]	Allied Colloids	150	— 3
368	[illegible]	Amersham	312	— 6
267	170	Anchor Chem.	190	..
70	52	Armour Chem.	60	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Brent	121	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bt. Benzol	12	..
[illegible]	90	Canning, W.	90	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Coalite	238	..
[illegible]	139	Coates Bros.	139	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Cory Horace	18	..
150	[illegible]	Croda	123	+ 1
250	195	Ellis & Everard	183	..
100	65	Halstead, J.	79	— 1
483	[illegible]	Hickson Int.	405	— 2
[illegible]	653	I.C.I.	691	— 11
334	[illegible]	Laporte Inds.	297	+ 2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Leigh Interests	96	— 2
[illegible]	182	Moreau	252	..
43	37	zMorley, R.H.	37	..
110	90	Moss, Robert	93	..
[illegible]	900	Nors. Hydro	900	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Plysu	239	..
[illegible]	112	Rentokil	170	— 1
125	78	Stewart Plast.	125	+ 5
[illegible]	166	Wardle Storey	167	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	WolstenhmeRk	280	..
84	55	Yorkshire Chem	69	— 1

CINEMAS & TV

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
164	120	Anglia 'A'	142	..
82	52	Capital TV Fac	52	..
207	118	Central TV	185	..
195	120	H.T.V.	153	..
270	217	L.W.T.	267	..
63	27	z Radio City	30	..
32	5	T.S.W.	27½	..
142	110	T.V.S.	126	..
92	84	Ulster TV	87	..

DRAPERY & STORES

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
12½	7½	Amber Day	7½	..
65	52	Aquascutum A	58	..
80	60	Automa. Ic.	65	..
80	50½	Beattie, J.	74	..
104	61	Beralls	93	..
67	47	Bremner	59	..
318	237	Brit. Home Str	276	+ 4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Brown, N.	305	..
503	409	Burton Group	475	— 1
79	65	Cantor 'A'	65	..
50	36	Cassel, S.	36	— 2
50	16	Castle G.B.	23	+ 1
159	87	Combined Eng	134	+ 2
285	195	Cornell Hlds	257	..
118	95	Courts 'A'	114	..
325	156	Debenhams	327	..
34	25	z De Brett (A)	30	..
85	68	Dewhirst I.J.	77	..
744	530	Dixons Group	718	— 7
391	290	Dunhill H.La	310	— 3
72	56	Ellis&Goldstn	57	— 1
134	93	Empire Stores	132	+ 1
207	128	Etam	190	+ 16
94	72	Fine Art Dev	77	..
51	25	Ford Martin	35	..
168	140	Formminster	155	..
282	132	Freemans	256	+ 6
252	190	z French Con.	240	..
102	72	z Gabbicci	85	— 4
185	120	z Gee, Cecil	127	..
85	62	Gelfer, A. & J.	80	..
158	86	Gent, S. R.	90	..
62	42	Goldberg 'A'	58	+ 1
20	15	GoodmanBros	15½	..
282	120	Gratton	280	— 2
665	550	Gt. Univ. Strs	850	+ 5
838	675	Gt. UnivStrsA	797	..
37	15	GreenfieldMlls	14	..
402	310	Habitat	396	+ 4
255	168	Harris Q'way	240	+ 4
26	21½	Helene (Lond)	24	..
272	156	Hepworth, J.	205	+ 2
29	21	Hodas	28	..
368	260	Home Charm.	324	..
90	72	Jones, Ernest	82	+ 2
54	41	z Kent John.	42	..
137	107	Lee Cooper	117	— 1
180	144	Lincroft Kilgrs	178	..
147	115	Marks & Spen	139	+ 3
70	54	Martin, A.	68	..
303	218	Menzies, J.	271	+ 9
173	116	Milletts Leis.	168	..
525	310	Moss Bros.	440	..
130	96	NSS News	114	..
365	275	Oliver G. 'A'	310	..
584	339	Our Price	530	+ 10
290	178	Owen Owen	260	+ 15
97	56	Peters Stores	74	..
119	80	Preedy Alfred	110	..
85	47	Ratners Jewel	85	+ 5
34	23½	Raybeck	29½	..
149	95	Reed Austin A	124	+ 1
21	16	S. & U. Stores	18	..
82	72	Samuel, H. 'A'	74	..
99	78	Sears Hldgs.	93½	— 3½
33½	14	Selincourt	22	..
245	180	z Share Drug	255	..
254	162	Smith WH'A'	224	— 2
71	42	Stanley, A. G.	60	..
216	148	Stead&Sim'A'	167	— 2
90	60	StormguardGrp	61	— 1
90	65	Stirling Group	81	..
68	30	Status Clothes	34	..
425	373	Superdrug	390	..
36	25	Teleshop	26	..
52	41	Tern Group	54	..
45	27	TimeProducts	42½	..
370	266	Vantona Viyel	360	+ 4
336	205	Ward White	294	+ 2
427	276	Woolworth	402	+ 6

ELECTRICAL & RADIO

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
558	225	A. B. Electron	235	..
65	37	z A. G. Secs.	37	— 1
67	4	z Acorn Comp	—	..
455	165	Airtall	185	..
153	97	Alphameric	109	+ 4
35	18½	Amer. Electnc	18½	..
86	64	Amstrad	75	+ 1
70	28	Arlen Electrnc	50	— 3
405	305	Atlantic Cmpt	310	..
8	4	Audiotronics	5	..
200	150	Automatd Sec	180	..
270	191	B.I.C.C.	280	..
167	45	B.S.R.	46	— 4
14½	10½	z Bennett Fin	12½	..
463	307	Bowthorpe	325	— 2
22	12	zBrelineEuro	18	..
295	205	z BrikatGroup	205	— 5
206	145	Brit. Telecom	177	+ 4
97	70	BrwnBvriKnt	84	..
51	13	Bulgin A.F. 'A'	14	..
165	46	z CPS Comput	53	+ 1
64	35	z CPU Compu	33	..
600	485	Cable&Wirles	530	— 5
380	255	CambridgeElec	257	+ 2
307	207	C.A.S.E.	212	— 2
40	35	Chloride Grp	33	+ 1
20	10	z Cifer	12	..
135	75	z Circaprint	68	..
263	195	Comcap	195	..
143	102	z Consult	127	..
493	310	z Cont. Micro	325	..
265	205	Cray Elect.	205	..
237	115	Crystalate	117	+ 2
84	67	Dale Electric	72	..
170	98	Datasery	160	..
35	16	Dewhurst Ord	33	..
27	15	Dewhurst 'A'	24	..
88	63	Domino & Mill	68	..
206	128	Dubilier	140	..
335	255	Electrocomps	270	— 3
60	36	Elec. Machine	64	..
52	32	Elec. Rentals	41	..
248	170	EmessLighting	230	..
365	275	EurothermInt	298	— 2
50½	39	F.K.I.	44½	+ 1½
207	141	Farnell Elect.	150	— 2
115	78	Feedback	87	+ 2
184	112	Ferranti	126	— 4
122	91	PattLadle Elec	92	..
38	23	Forward Tech	25	..
228	158	G.E.C.	166	— 2
640	435	Goring Kerr	575	..
182	116	Grosvenor Grp	117	..
158	73	Highland Elec	94	..
97	52	H.K. Elect.	79	— 1
16	10	Hunslet & Cie	12	..
280	180	z Instem	180	..
325	247	Intnl Signal	260	— 3
150	90	z Klarktenik	98	— 2
215	160	Kode Internatl	165	..
340	250	LecRefrigertn	267	— 1
395	105	Logica	135	..
360	228	M. K. Electric	244	+ 1
280	255	Memec	255	..
237	82	Micro Bus Sys	80	..
970	160	Micro Focus	190	— 5
93	55	z Microvitec	60	..
370	210	Miles 33	365	— 5
700	450	Mitel	500	+ 35
86	45	Multitone	45	— 2
135	80	Murray Tech	98	..
89	76½	NEI	81	— 1
44	32	Newman Inds.	34	..
220	190	Newmark, L.	200	..
145	60	Oceanics	75	..
305	238	Oxford Inst.	265	..
180	125	z Penny Giles	133	+ 1
53	46	Petbow	49	— 1
44	34	Philcom	38	..
615⅛	610	Philips Lamps	610	— ⅛
148	115	Pifco A.	115	..
212	118	Plessey	134	— 2
250	145	z Powerline	148	..
145	90	Pressac	93	— 2
105	70	Prestwick	72	..
95	70	Procam Systs.	70	..
80	30	Quest Automa	38	..
288	124	Racal Elects	138	..
96	77	ResourceTech	82	..
196	135	Rotaflex	140	..
159	75	Scientia Tech	75	..
502	385	Scholes G. H.	445	..
115	75	Sound	78	+ 3
170	85	Security Cents	85	..
92	73	Shorrocks	73	..
190	160	Sintrom	168	..
138	48	Sound Diffusn	48	..
273	102	STC PLC	102	— 2
185	135	Stone Intnl	143	..
10	5	SuppleighElec	6	..
117	74	SystemsDesign	84	..

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
74	53	Abercorn Inv.	68	..
334	214	Ainsworth	236	— 2
195	127	Aitken Hume	140	— 3
410	250	Akroyd&Smithr	295	..
370	250	AutoAgencyHld	360	..
282	250	Aust. Agric.	250	..
16	9½	Barrie Invest.	9½	..
152	71	Berkeley Tech.	85	+ 15
112	957	Biotech'ogInv	957	..
85	55	Boustead	65	..
133	97	Britannia Arr.	97	— 5
225	170	Candover	170	..
15	10	Centreway Tst.	15	..
160	127	Ex. Oro	158	..
212	171	Exco Intl.	188	..
16½	13½	Ex Lands	15½	..
85	67	Explorath Co	79	+ 1
855	700	Franklin Gp.	760	..
90	58	Frost, J. & D.	72	..
38½	28½	Hampton Trs.	32	+ ½
855	580	Hodson Admin	750	..
385	360	Inchcape	360	— 2
215	140	z Ind. Fin. & In	170	..
133	92	Ivory & Sime	117	..
27	20	Kwahu	20	..
16	14	London & Ass.	14	..
28	17	LondonInv Tr	27	..
575	170	M. & G. Hldgs	500	..
150	113	Marsale Inv	121	..
368	280	MercantileHse	332	— 2
387	300	Mills & Allen	310	— 5
195	120	Newmarket	129	..
60	45	Paramite	46	..
177	160	Park Pacific	160	..
144	92	Smith Bros.	131	..
250	300	Tranamont Ser	218	..
250	197	Yule Catto	215	— 2

FOOD & CATERING

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
28	18	Alpine Soft Dr	20	..
335	255	Argyll Group	295	— 2
338	285	Ass. Brit. Foods	316	..
166	134	Assoc. Dairies	138	..
117	90	Assoc. Fish	99	— 2
665	555	Avana Group	617	+ 3
243	125	Banks Sidney	236	..
12¼	6¼	Barker & Dbsn	10½	..
205	145	Bassett Foods	155	— 6
115	78	Batters of Yk.	107	— 3
180	130	Bejam Group	159	+ 1
180	150	Berisford S&W	161	..
49½	25	z Bio-Isolates	21	..
84	66	BlueBird Conf	75	..
38	26	Borthwick T.	27	..
71	39	Bt. Vending	37	..
177	148	Cadbury-Schwp	161	— 1
83	56	z Carrermoor	60	..
139	111	Carr's Milling	112	..
156	110	Clifford Dairs	130	..
128	110	CliffordDairsA	125	..
132	115	Cullens Hldgs	125	..
268	187	Dee Corpn	248	— 2
53	30	Enstand, J. E.	35	..
131	101	Fisher, A.	107	— 2
214	193	Fitch Lovell	194	..
109	40	z Freshbake	66	..
310	253	Glass Glover	285	..
170	140	Greggs	163	..
668	512	Hazlewoods	618†	+ 1
415	312	Hillards	338	— 4
180	140	Hillsdown	147	..
70	57	Home Farm	58	..
177	110	Hunter Saph.	157	— 1
570	388	Iceland Frozen	540	..
266	250	Kennedy Brook	242	..
216	172	Kwik Save	188	..
73	50	Lovell, G. F.	55	..
378	253	Matthews, B.	363	— 2
170	110	z Mayhew Fds	112	— 1
351	248	Maynards	335	..
91	76	MeatTradesup	84	..
141	94	Morrison, Wm	158	+ 1
95½	75½	Mt. Charlotte	97	— ½
270	210	Nichols Vimto	250	..
81	70½	Normans Grp.	71½	— 3
262	206	Northern Foods	234	+ 2
158	129	Nurdin&Peack	140	+ 2
125	101	Park Foods	120	..
345	276	Pyke Holdings	306	..
59	50	Queens Moat	51	..
170	123	Rank, Hovis	147	..
398	343	Rowntree Mac	365	— 3
348	288	Sainsbury, J.	308	— 2
33	20	Somportex	20	..
35	21	Squirrel Horn	27	..
70	55	Stakis Group	56	..
511	417	Tate & Lyle	453	— 3
52	36	TavernerRutld	40	— 2
270	222	Tesco	245	— 2
290	250	Tomatin	260	..
180	141	Unigate	175	— 1
217	172	Utd. Biscuits	172	..
100	87	Watson & Philp	97	..

INDUSTRIALS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
154	119	A.A.H.	127	..
164	111	A.E.	143	— 1
257	180	AGB Research	195	..
154	97	AIM Group	100	..
301	228	A.P.V. Hldgs.	268	..
112	75	Aaronson Bros	98	..
56	30	Abertoyle	30	..
19	9	Adam Leisure	10	..
165	140	Adwest	153	— 1
166	115	Alexander Wk	146	— 2
142	115	Amari	118	..
143	86	Amber Indust.	116	..
35	29	Anglo Nordic	32	..
400	355	Ang. Trans Ind	355	..
410	285	Appledore A&P	275	— 2
280	120	Applied Comp	125	..
34	27	Aronson Grp.	30	..
23	17	Armour Tst.	17½	..
430	325	Ash & Lacy	333	..
27	11	Ashley Ind.	15	..
176	102	z AspinallHldgs	122	+ 1
298	180	Ass. Brit. Ports	294	— 1
357	280	Assoc. Heat	342	..
644	522	Assoc. Manag.	637	..
9	8	Astra Inds.	6	..
34	17½	AuroraPr. Ord.	30	— ½
318	212	Avon Rubber	248	..
48	24	Ayrshire Met.	42	..
94	55	BBA Group	71	..
110	59	BM Group	107	— 3
311	251	BOC Group	262	— 3
385	290	BTR	328	— 5
170	134	Babcock Int.	136	..
390	326	Baird, Wm.	355	— 2
222	162	Baker Perkins	172	— 1
130	64	Bamro Corp.	118	— 2
5½	1¼	Barbican Hlds	1¼	..
11½	5½	Bardsey	5½	..
128	64	BarhamGroup	107	..
484	405	Barlow Rand	475	..
120	84	Barr & Wall 'A'	116	— 2
47	38	Barrow Hepb.	39	..
184	145	Beatson Clark	152	..
93	65	Beaufort Grp.	80	..
331	303	Beecham	308	— 5
43	29	Benlox	29	..
116	83	Berisfords	88	..
344	205	Bestobell	222	..
87	60	BETEC	70	..
274	225	Bibby J.	240	+ 5
183	148	Biddle Hldgs.	168	..
25	10	z Biomech	17	..
92½	80	Birmid-Qualct	88	..
243	205	BirmghamMint	235	..
94	79	Black Arrow	90	..
247	190	Black, P.	242	..
37	32	BlackwdHdge	33	..
138	105	Blagden Inds.	112	..
191	133	z Blue Arrow	160	..
171	125	Blundell Perm.	124	+ 1
122	92	Bodycote Intl	116	+ 5
278	223	Bookers	256	— 8
150	132	Boosey & Hks.	150	..
330	263	Boot, Henry	275	..
205	162	Boots	186	+ 2
10¼	5½	Boulton, Wm.	7½	— ½
300	215	BowaterInds.	253	— 3

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
126	114	BraithwteCo	134	— 2
408	278	Brammer	225	— 2
61	41	Brasway	56	..
57	46	BrengreenHld	57½	— 3
63	59	Brickhse Dud	60	+ 1
150	112	Bridon	122	..
145	99½	Bridport Gndry	119	..
259	225	Brit. Blondel	240	+ 8
332	280	B.E.T.	292	+ 2
139	115	Brit. Sim. Spe.	125	..
120	76	Brit. Syphon	110	..
115	76	Brit. Tar	104	— 1
200	154	Brit. Vita	154	..
381	275	Brown HillPty	353	+ 4
33	24	Brocks Group	51	..
139	60	Brook St. Bur.	136	..
144	111	BroughTurner	129	— 1
36	26	Brown John	30	— 1
76	65	BruntonsMuss	63	..
268	136	Bulton, h.	225	— 2
174	112	BurnsAndersn	150	— 3
65	42	BurneAnderson	53	..
55	28	z Business Co.	28	..
50	40	CH Industrial	42	— 2
135	125	C. V. D. Intnl.	125	..
46	27½	Camford Eng	41½	— 1½
33	25	Camrari	25	..
39	25	Caparo Inds.	34	+ 2
80	50	Cape Indust.	52	..
295	168	Carclo Eng.	270	..
160	105	Cartwright R.	160	..
42	21½	Celestion Inds	21½	..
10¼	5½	Cent. Sheerwd	6	..
27	12	Centreway Ltd.	12	..
85½	75	ChamberlnPh	76½	..
215	121	Channel Tool.	160	..
215	173	Charter Cons.	180	..
560	465	Christies	520	— 2
180	138	China Light	147	— 2
225	218	Christies Intl.	236	..
50	30	ChristieTy. er	41	..
60	31	Christy Hunt.	34	..
112	80	Clarke Clemnt	90	..
73	40	Coin Inds	40	..
335	120	Cole Group	236	— 1
50	13	Coutech	13	..
80	62	Concentric	66	— 1
25	21	Contstatloury	24	..
30	38	Cook Wm	54	..
362	230	CooksonGroup	307	+ 7
20	11	Cooper Inds.	15½	..
190	134	Cope Allman	170	..
70	54	Copsil	60	..
375	210	CourtneyPope	335	..
41	34	Cowan de Grt	34	..
105	80	Crest Nich.	96	..
180	132	Crown House	132	— 2
475	355	DPCE	362	— 2
503	395	Dalgety	397	— 3
172½	132	Davies&Newm	148	..
125	81	Davy Corpn.	97	— 2
940	787	De La Rue	860	— 5
165	106	Delta Group	140	— 5
147	106	Derlend Sty.	130	..
192	135	Desoutter	165	— 1
165	145	Diploma Ltd.	158	..
94	16½	Dobson Park	75	— 1½
96	75	Dominion Intl	92	+ 2
67	36	Dufay B'tmn.	56	..
£16½	£10¼	Duncan Gdrck	£14½	— ½
44	26	Duport	58	— ½
29	15	Dwek Group	19	+ 1½
346	305	Eastern Prod.	307	— 2
163	108	Edbro (Hldgs)	157	+ 2
60	27	Elbar Indust.	66	..
100	50	Eleco	87	..
213	150	E.I.S.	198	..
631½	421½	Electrolux B.	123½	..
86	51	Elliott B.	67	..
26	4	Elswick Hoppr	7	— ½
278	217	Eng. China Clay	235	+ 10
26	18	Epicure Hldgs	21	..
238	157	Equipu	198	..
110	78	ErsemeHouse	98	..
162	116½	Euro. Ferries	116½	+ 1½
126	101	Eur Ferries Pf	116	..
267	149	Everest	210	..
136	110	Evode Hldgs	118	— 3
115	91	Expamet	110	..
370	267	Extel	338	+ 10
41	31	Falcon Ind	32	..
94	50	Farmer, S. W	50	..
36	26	Feeley	29	..
138	118	Fenner, J. H.	128	..
112	67	z Ferguson..	67	..
154	128	Ferguson Ind.	154	..
91	62	Fife Indmar.	90	..
156	115	Finlay Jas.	116	+ 1
62	44	Finlay Packng	61	..
266	228	First Leisure	296	..
6½	3¼	FirstPacificInt	6	..
55	41	Firth, G. M.	41	— ½
379	365	Fisons	325	— 5
147	105	FletcherChal.	125	..
92	69	Flexello	69	..
45	30	Fobel Intnl.	32	— 1
100	54	Fogarty, E.	98	..
30	21	Folkes Grp. p.	28	..
257	178	Foseco Min.	200	— 3
166	118	Fothergill H.	156	..
65	46	French, Th. s.	46	..
219	160	Friedland Doc	210	..
112	83	GEI Internatl	90	..
68½	51	GKA Group	57½	..
260	200	G.R. (Hldgs)	260	— 7
68	56	Garton Engrs	62	..
122	87	Gestetner	113	— 1
100	53	Glaves Group	99	— 1
190	139	Gill & Duffus	165	..
113	100	Glaxo Holdgs	112	..
211	165	Glynwed	193	— 5
45	30	Gomme Hldgs	34	..
128	92	Grampian Hlds	134	..
201	146	Granada	148	..
318	250	Grand Met.	285	..
40	31	Greenbank	38	..
244	190	G.K.N.	212	— 12
367	186	Haden	357	..
158	114	Hall Engin'ng	158	..
176	150	Hall Matthew	156	— 2
165	145	Hallite	143	..
263	230	Halma	255	+ 1
29½	19½	HamptonInds.	26	..
63	43	Hanimex Corp	48	..
230	179	Hanson Trust	186	+ 3
113	92	Hargreaves	103	..
136	128	Harris, Philip	136	..
475	385	Harrison & Cr.	393	— 2
64	49	Harlons	49	..
459	352	H'wker Siddlr	375	— 12
114	73	Hawley Group	75	..
21½	14	Hawtin	17½	+ ¼
90	72	Hay Norman	86	..
60	42	Henara	45	..
152	120	Hepwth Crmic	126	+ 1
96	79	Hestair	85	— 2
90	54	Hewitt J.	70	..
75	58	Hill & Smith	65	..
85	62	Hollis Bros.	72	— 2
94	68	Holt Lloyd	74	..
166	101	Hopkinsons	146	— 2
145	100	Horizon Trav.	110	..
14½	7	Howard Mach	—	..
104	87	Howden Grp.	94½	+ 4
32	20	Humphries Hld.	23	..
115	85	Hunter	107	— 3
252	205	Hunting Assoc	210	..
262	300	Hutchsn Whm	244	— 2
38	26½	Hyman I. & J.	28½	— ½
23	14½	z ICC Oils	15	..
232	170	Imp. Cold Stge	180	..
116	84	IMI	92	— 3
387	94	Imali Inds.	103	..
184	156	Insight	168	— 2
135	100	Intasun	120	— 5
60	14	Int. City Inv.	14	..
450	352	zInterepTch	362	..
10	6	z Intervision	6	— ½
32	23½	Jacks Wm	25½	..
131	85	Jardine Mthsn	113	— 3
23½	11½	Johnson&Firth	18	— ½
448	425	Johnson Clnrs	443	..
100	65	JohnsnMatthy	103	+ 2
338	160	Johnston Grp.	320	..
79	41	JonesShipman	67	..
158	130	Jones, Stroud.	167	— 1
150	116	Jourdan Thos.	114	— 2
252	185	Juliana's Hld.	185	..
36	28	Kalamazoo	29	..
98	75	Keep Tst.	83	..
235	165	Kelsey Indust	210	..
115	77	Kennedy Smale	90	..
130	75	Kirsch	89	..
182	150	Kitchn Taylor	190	+ 10
134	93	L.C.P.	101	..
128	96	LECInternatl.	120	+ 2
285	242	Ladbroke	263	— 1
33	21	Ladies Pride	25	..
196	141	Laird Group	161	— 1
90	60	Lawrex	77	..
44	40	Lee Arthur	40	..
65	54	LeisretimeIntl	56	..
275	184	Lep Group	230	+ 3
44	36	Lilread	40	..
69	54½	Lloyd, F. H.	58½	..
29	21½	Locker Thos.	32½	..
39½	21	Locker, T. 'A'	21	..
205	175	Lon. Mid. Ind.	187	..
64½	71	Lon. & North.	82	+ 1

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
409	345	Lon. Park Htls	395	..
117	87	London Inds.	107	..
125	159	Lonrho	168	..
253	197	Low & Bonar	245	..
19	10	M.I.I.	17	..
357	234	M.L. Holds.	258	..
49	36	MS Intl	37	— 1
39½	22	M.Y. Dart	24½	..
193	145	Macarthy's P.	184	..
150	94	Macfarlane Gp	120	..
180	145	McInerney Acer	—	..
328	296	Man. ShipCan.	305	..
58	52	Mance Bronze	53	..
106	75	Marley	76	+ 1
107	82	Marling Inds.	88	..
252	220	MarshallHalfx	247	..
77	50	Marshalls Un.	53	— 2
360	294	Martonair	300	..
155	128	McKechnie	135	..
195	125	Medminster	173	..
11	67	Meggitt	87	..
111	57	Mesiua	70	..
468	376	Metal Box	438	— 12
170	136	Metal Closures	137	— 1
73	65	Metalrax	65	— 2
104	73	zMidland Mart	80	..
275	180	zMiss World	190	..
87	57	Mitch. Cotts	57	— ½
65	57	Mitchell Som.	61	..
67	27	z Mnemos	28	..
150	126	Molins	157	..
232	180	Morgan Cru.	200	..
81	68	Myson Group	71	+ ½
45	25	Nash Inds.	30	..
127½	74	NationLesre	75	..
17½	9	Negretti	17	+ ½
48	30	Neill&Spencer	32	..
160	118	Neill, James	127	— 1
103	85	Newman Tnks	88	..
36	15	z Nimslo	20	— 2
184	147	Norcros	165	+ 3
28	20	NorfolkCpHls	21	..
67	48	Novaselt	51	..
52	44	Ocean Wilson	48	..
232	200	Office & Elect	216	— 2
675	525	O.K. Bazaars	375	..
495	318	Oriflame	440	..
24¼	19½	z Owners Abrd	20	..
196	153	PMA Intnl	150	..
205	165	ParkerKnollA	170	— 5
105	45	z Parkfield Fy	99	..
170	127	Paterson-Zoc.	158	..
47	15	Pavilion Leis.	40	..
83	27	Pacton Intnl.	66	..
378	255	Pearson	355	..
503	262	Peclar Hart	272	..
353	99	Pentland Inds	265	— 5
52	35	Pentos	42	..
412½	110¼	Photo-Me	212½	+ ½
325	245	Pilk'ton Bros	266	— 1
98	57	z Pineapple D	37	..
107	92	Plantl Group	106	..
64	46	Plastic Consn.	68	..
11½	7	Platignum	8½	..
172	120	Platon	160	— 3
439	183	Pleasurama	220	..
289	207	Polly Peck	225	..
4	7½	Polymark	11	..
585	492	Portals	545	..
117	106	Porter Chadbn	106	..
293	246	PowellDuffryn	277	+ 2
12¾	8	Priest, B.	12	..
115	99	Prince of Wles	105	..
99	65	Pritchard Serv	70	— 3
39	28	z Protimeter	31	..
318	298	R.E.A. Holds.	295	..
102	79	R.F.D. Group	80	..
116	82	R.H.P.	81	— 1
25½	12½	RTD	19½	..
98	60	Radiant Metal	62	..
85	60	z Ramco Oil	68	..
373	291	Rank Org.	362	+ 2
135	76	Ransome Sims	115	..
555	500	Reckitt&Clmn	508	— 2
96	66	Redfearn Nat.	90	— 3
16	8½	Redman Heen	—	..
160	121	RedExecutive	155	+ 2
649	530	RedInternal.	645	+ 3
128	83	Relyon Group	127	+ 5
394	233	Renishaw	255	..
57½	45½	Renold	51½	— ½
210	130	Renwick Grp.	210	..
120	110	Restmor Grp.	114	..
409	285	Reuters B	295	— 1
26½	20	Rexmore	20	..
111	88	Ricardo & Co.	100	..
27	18	Rich Wrath	22	..
61	37	Riley Leisure	37	..
13½	9	Rock	11	..
55	34	Rockware Grp	41	..
157	94	z Rolfe&Nolan	94	..
187	131	Ropner	149	+ 5
8	4½	Rotaprint	5	..
138	112	Rotork	112	..
29½	24	Ryan Internat.	28	..
47	33½	S.I.G. Inval.	33½	..
47	33½	SI Group	38½	..
195	146	Sara Holdings	149	..
250	153	Sale Tilney	208	..
325	111	SamuelsnGrp.	225†	— 2
91	64	Sandhurst Mkg	75	..
45	35	z Sanders Ph.	36	..
57	85	SavilleGordon	87	+ 1
430	353	Savoy Hotel A	358	..
499	386	Scapa Group	400	..
114	94	ScottGreenhm	96½	..
78	60	Scott Herld 'A'	70	+ 1
270	220	Secrler Grp 'A'	218	— 2
165	153	z Securicard.	153	— 2
220	175	SecurityServInt	220	..
37	19	Senior Engrs.	26½	— ½
68	51	Sharna Ware	51	..
82	60	ShelbonJones	68	— 5
162	134	Shllaw Group	140	+ 6
640	435	Siebe	568	..
42	28	Silentnight	30	..
84½	55	Sime Darby	54	— 1
260	218	Simon Engng.	218	— 2
133	85	z Sinclair Wm	113	..
110	84	600 Group	91	— 2
366	320	Sketchley	334	..
198	153	Smith & Neph	171	+ 3
216	170	Smith Indust	170	..
44	27	Smith Whtwh	33	..
50	30	Solicitors Law	34	..
106	78	z Starlas TV	82	..
56	30	Sparrow G.	46	..
172	130	Spear & Jackson	138	..
135	107	Spear, J. W.	108	..
40	14	z Spectrum	20	— 2
184	145	Spirax Sarco	154	..
215	150	z Spring Ram.	200	+ 2
101	60	Stad Potteries	62	+ 2
84	60	Stag Furniture	82	+ 1
80	55	zStainless Met	62	..
40	24	Staneleco	34	..
343	284	Staveley	336	..
570	460	Steel Bros	550	..
325	285	Steetley	311	+ 1
93	59	Sterling Inds.	76	..
173	130	Stockblake Hld	150	..
135	87	Stonehill	112	+ 4
130	113	Stothert&Pitt	120	+ 2
14½	[illegible]	Sumner, F.	13½	..
232	180	Sunlight Serv	180	..
42	29	Supra Group	37	..
41	34	SutcliffeSpmn	38	..
152	110	Suter	117	..
£24	£18	Swed Match B	£17	— 1
301	206	Swire Pacific	230	— 3
25	13	Sycamore Hld	13	..
202	160	Syltone	196	..
20	14	Synapsis Eng.	16½	..
555	440	T.A.C.E.	478	..
280	214	T.I. Group	286	+ 12
317	94	TSL Thrmlsyn	238	..
118	60	Tex Abrasives	80	..
50	35	Thomson T-line	37	..
£241½	£19	Tiger Oats	£24½	..
212	144	Tomkins, F.H	184	..
80	65	Tottenham H.	85	..
127	105	Tore & Co.	116	..
41	32	TozerKemsley	39	..
382	336	Traf. Hse. Ltd.	346	+ 2
130½	105	TransportDev	118½	..
42	38	Triefus	38	..
55	35	Triplex Fndry	38	+ 1
161	124	TrustHseForte	124	..
120	88	Turner & New	87	— 1
139	96	UKO Intl.	130	..
46	25½	Unigroup	38	..
£12½	£10½	Unilever	610½	..
£53½	£47½	Unilever N.V.	£46½	— ⅜
49½	35	UnionSteelSA	35	..
219	158	U.E.I.	170	..
34	17	Utd. Guarntee	22	..
90	66	UnitedParcels	75	— 5
213	162	Valor	181	..
340	215	Vickers	261	— 16
120	80	Victor Prods.	82	..
205	102	Vinten Group	122	+ 3
305	150	Vosper	175	..
173	110	Wales Potts	158	— 2
149	105	Wadkin	105	..
140	127	Wagon Indus	138	..
51½	34½	Watrird Glass	45½	..
187	80	Watson Kelvn	88	..
236	190	Wedgwood	209	— 2
18	8	Weeks Assoc.	13	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
64	40	Weir Group	52	— ½
15½	8½	Wellman	10½	..
25	12½	z Welsac	19	..
81	66	West's Group	68	..
89	45	Wheelock Mar	—	..
110	86	Whessoe	92	— 2
158	136	WhitecroftInd	151	..
223	124	Wilkes, J.	185	..
298	165	Williams Hldg	380	..
36½	19	Wilmot-Brdn	24½	..
184	123	Wills, George	175	..
145	43	Wire & Plastic	140	..
373	295	Wolsey Hughs	355	+ 5
45	15	Woolfers Rlxn	51½	— ½
510	373	Yarrow	465	..
20	10	z Yorkgreenin	13	..
113	95	Zetters	101	..
35	14	z Zygal Dynam	18	..

INSURANCE

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
£28½	£19½	Alex&AlexCm	£21⅞	..
192	169	Alx&AlxII Co	172	..
£430	£160½	Allianz Vers.	£356	+ 3
794	592	Britannic	750	+ 2
231	175	Commercial U	215	+ 2
277	212	Equity & Law	235	+ 1
558	508	General Accdt	520	..
[illegible]	822	G.R.E.	713	..
655	550	Heath, C. E.	618	..
305	224	Hogg Robinson	248	..
761	645	Legal & Gen.	672	— 2
805	685	London & Man	768	+ 3
306	257	London Utd.	268	— 2
£62½	£49½	Marsh & McLn	£55⅞	..
208	162	Minet Hldgs.	177	— 3
560	251	PWS Intl.	250	— 20
£12½	580	Pearl	£11⅛	— ⅛
730	498	Prudential	645	..
£16½	£10¼	Reed Stenh'se	£11⅛	+ ⅛
400	292	Refuge	333	+ 3
693	517	Royal	680	— 3
410	334	Sedgwick Grp	350	+ 3
650	512	Stewart Wri'son	574	+ 7
483	401	Sun Alliance	460	..
887	709	Sun Life	793	+ 3
330	230	Trade Indem.	315	..
705	578	Willis Faber	618	..
63	41	Windsor Secs.	49	— 2

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
191	163	Aberdeen Tst.	181	..
598	500	Alliance Trust	512	..
510	445	Altifund Cap.	475	..
240	218	AmbroseInvT	227	..
154	117	AmericanTstCp	125	..
302	245	Anglo-Am Sec.	248	— 2
93	75	Archimedes Tp	76	..
113	107	Archimedes Inc	104	..
145	102	Ashdown	124	..
120	89	AtlanticAssets	98	..
105	87	Bankers Inv.	95	— 1
193	152	Berry Trust	168	..
172	155	Border & Sthn	155	— 2
205	90	Brit. Am&Gen	95	— 1
215	189	Brit. Assets T	197	+ 1
19	15	Brit. Contrel.	16	..
372	320	British Invest.	320	..
82	64	Brunner Inv.	66	— 1
115	78	C.I.R. Pacific	85	+ 8
278	205	Caledonia Inv	235	+ 8
90	73	Charter Tst.	76	..
680	505	Con. & Ind. Tst.	605	— 2
177	126	Crescent Japan	155	+ 2
320	247	CrestieFibrosis	330	..
66	60½	Dane Inv. Inc	62½	..
108	97	Derby Tst Inc	100	..
350	253	Drayton Cons.	275	..
422	346	Drayton Japan	372	+ 2
467	361	Drayton Prem	406	..
£11⅝	£10	Dualvest Cap.	£11⅛	..
182	160	Dundee & Lon	164	..
117	90	Edin. Amercn.	98	— 1
51	37	Edinburgh Fin	38	..
117	105	Edin. in Ord.	106	..
139	115	Electra Inv.	127	..
292	254	Electric & Gen	262	..
109	91	Eng. & N. York	100	— 1
78	66	Eng. & Scot. In	74	..
156	130	Europ. Assets	142	..
97	81	F & C Alliance	81	..
143	116	F. & C. Eurotst.	127	..
165	128	F & C Pacific	128	— 2
279	241	Firstscot Am.	246	..
66	42	Fledgle Japan	46	..
505	440	Fleming Amer	460	..
254	232	Fleming Ents.	255	..
108	78	Fleming Far E	73	..
560	427	FlemingJapan	436	..
119	108	Fleming Merc	106	— 2
153	105	Fleming O'seas	106	+ 1
164	124	Fleming Tech.	124	..
74	62½	For. & Col. Inv	64	..
44	39	Fundinvest Inc	40½	..
184	132	G.T. Japan In.	140	+ 3
63	43	Gartmore I&P	43	..
262	230	Gen. Consol.	247	..
112	100	Germ. Small In	101	..
125	106	Glasgow Stock	108	..
278	251	Globe	360	..
250	202	Greenfriar Inv	228	..
275	215	Gresham Hse.	220	— 2
163	137	Hambros Ord.	146	+ 2
256	227	Hill, Philip	238	+ 3
320	240	Independt. In.	245	+ 4
285	207	Investors Cap.	209	..
62½	48½	Japan Assets	52	+ 1
134	103	Jos. Holdings	128	..
63½	60	Jove Tst. Inc.	63	..
161	132	Lake View Tst.	133	+ 1
191	154	Law Deben.	184	..
316	268	Lon. & Gtmre	248	..
185	157	Lond. & Strth.	170	..
86	66	Lon. Merchant	74	..
106	71	London Trust	71	..
316	286	M&G Dual In.	286	..
112	103	M & G 2nd Inc.	106	..
99	85	Merchants Tst.	93	..
173	156	Monks Invem.	156	— 1
106	95	Murray Grwth	102	— 2
117½	106	Murray Income	110	— 1
133	111½	Murray Intnl.	120	— 3
298	267	Murray Ventr.	271	..
75	65	NewDarienOil	63	..
32	26	NewThrog'ap	30½	..
41	37	NewThroc Inc	40	..
236	165	New Tokyo	171	+ 1
324	256	Nth Atlantic S	256	— 1
116	97	PreciousMetls	108	..
343	299	Rebura	299	..
137	125	River & Merc.	126	..
236	197	RiverPlate&G	215	..
192	168	Robeco Fl 5	172	— 2
172	152	Rolinco Sub. 5	163	— 2
268	230	Romney Trust	231	..
111	553	Rorento	£10	— ½
227	185	SPLIT Inc.	202	..
265	211	Scot. Amern In	221	— 2
84	73	Scot. Eastern	75½	— ½
273	234	Scot. Inv Tst.	236	— 2
410	346	Scot. Mrt. & Tst	346	— 2
244	203	Scot. National	206	— 2
136	119	Scot. Northern	130	— 2
598	501	Sec. AllianceTst	530	..
123	108	Secs. Trst. Scot	116	— 1
79	65	Small Co's Inv	70	— 1
146	110	Stockholders	111	— 1
99	76	TR Australia	77	+ 1
88	77	TR City of Lon	83	..
156	139	TR Ind & Gen	141	..
254	202	TR Nat Resou	208	— 2
111	83½	TR N. Americ	84	— 1
146	116	TR PacificBas	125	— 1
145	129	TR Property	133	..
101	81	TR Technology	88	..
138	125	TR Trustees	130	..
124	111	Temple Bar In	112	..
277	248	Thrg Grth Cap	267	..
250	211	Throg. Trust	227	..
168	140	Trans. Oc'nTst	146	— 3
121	104	Tribune Inv.	103	..
78	73½	Triplevest Inc	74	..
217	188	U.S. Debenture	192	— 2
81	60	Viking Resour	66	..
81	61	Westpool Inv.	77	..
196	162	Whitbread Inv.	178	— 1
110	88	Winterb'mTst	91	..
160	140	Witan Inv.	143	— 1
294	259	Yeoman	269	..

MINING

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
138	110	Afex Corpn.	125	..
25½	16½	Amal. Fin. Inv.	19	..
£21¼	£15⅜	Ang. Am. Coal	£21⅛	— ⅛
811⅞	650	An. Am. Cp. SA	£11⅛	+ ⅛
£77⅛	613	Ang. Amer. Gld	£64	— ⅞
£46⅛	437	Ang. Amer. Inv	£44	— 1
537	428	Anglo Vaal 'A'	435	..
88	28½	Aust. Cons Min	71	— 1
296	215	Ayer Hitam	205	..
365	221	Beatrix	320	..
159	85	Berjuntai Tin	85	..
17	12	Bisichi Tin	15	..
722	468	Blyvoor	463	— 8
18	12	Botswana	13	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
144	91	BougainvilleL.B	91	— 5
186	125	Bracken	128	— 5
£37	£25¼	Buffels	£25¼	— ½
98	52	Carr Boyd	74	+ 3
40	22	Central Pacific	22	..
35	25	z Clogau Gold	27	..
583	472	Consol Gold	500	— 2
700	400	Cons Mold	460	— 15
559	438	Cons Murchsn	438	— 12
446	341	De Beers	388	— 2
265	170	Deelkraal	193	— 2
215¼	510½	Doornfontein	311⅛	— ⅛
£25⅛	£17⅛	Driefontein	117⅛	— ⅛
£12⅛	835	Durban Deep	935	— 15
315	161	E. Daggafontn	220	..
117	59	EastRand Con	63	..
480	335	E.R.G.O.	405	— 10
730	510	East Rand Ppe	518	— 5
735	535	Elandsrand	635	— 15
245	163	Elsburg	173	— 2
14	7½	Endeavour	—	..
600	500	Freddies	500	— 25
125	417⅛	F. S. Geduld	£17⅛	— ⅛
248	170	Geevor	170	..
1105	875	Gencor	410	— ½
£12⅛	930	Gencor	£12	— ⅛
57	57	Globe & Phnx	67	..
13½	11½	Gold & Base	12½	..
130	115	Goldfields Prp	120	..
£14⅛	£10⅛	Gold FieldsSA	£12⅛	— ⅛
175	95	Gopeng	98	..
660	510	Grootvlei	510	— 15
215	125	Hampto Areas	180	..
£13⅛	950	Harmony	950	— 25
596	555	Hartebeest	565	— 1
35	31	Hill Minerals	35	..
£11⅛	700	Impala Plat.	725	+ 10
£30⅛	587	Johannes	£24	..
10½	6½	Kia Ora	6¾	— ¼
115	80	Killinghall	80	— 3
£16⅛	£12⅛	Kinross	£12⅛	— ⅛
£34⅛	£26⅛	Kloof	£29⅛	..
260	138	Leslie	160	— 5
£20⅛	£14⅛	Libanon	£15⅛	— ⅛
413	245	Loraine	365	— 5
640	420	LydenburgPlt	475	..
56	33	Malaysia Min.	34	..
175	130	Marievale	138	..
105	50	Meekatharra	82	+ 2
52	24	Metals Explor	34	..
£10½	469	Middle Wits	888	— 12
775	580	Minorco	610	— 20
195	138	M.I.M. Hldgs.	139	..
17	10	M.T.D. Mang.	13	+ 3
35	18	Nearer River	27	..
775	362	New Wits	525	— 10
164	111	Nth. BrknHill	111	— 1
51	36	Nth. Kalmurli	40	— 1
107	85	Paconttinentl	87	..
285	204	Peko-Wallsend	212	+ 2
185	165	Petaling Tin	165	— 1
250	165	Poseidon	176	— 1
£26	£17⅛	PresidentBra'd	£17⅛	— ⅛
122	118	Pres. Steyn	£18⅛	— ⅛
575	475	Randfontein	475	— 15
775	500	Rand M. Props	675	..
687	547	Rio Tinto Zinc	547	— 5
790	585	Rustenburg	615	+ 10
£16⅛	612	St. Helena	612	— ⅛
44	32	Seltrust 'A'	—	..
125	86	Sons of Gwalia	104	..
290	185	S.AfricanLnd.	193	+ 3
115	85	Southn Pacific	86	..
£40⅛	£29⅛	Southvaal	230	— ⅛
875	585	Stilfontein	605	..
280	185	Sungei Besi	185	..
280	175	Tanjong	178	..
310	185	TronohTin	185	..
860	571	Unisel	631	— 4
125	165½	Vaal Reef	263½	..
844	597	Venterspost	630	— 2
37	22	Vultan	22	..
668	545	Welkom	565	..
470	321	W. Rand Cons.	320	— 10
420	263	Western Area	268	— 7
£38½	£25⅛	Western Deep	£31½	..
£28⅛	£21⅛	Westernholdgs	£21⅛	+ ⅛
247	182	WestrnMining	190	+ 1
131	119½	Winkelhaak	120½	..
124	42	Wit. Niget	42	— 4
115	81	Zambia Cons.	82	— 2
19	15	Zam Copper	14	+ ½
101	64	Zandpan	67	..

MOTORS & AIRCRAFT

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
63	30	A.C. Cars	35	..
9¼	6½	AlexanderHld	8¼	+ ¼
62	39	AppleyardGp.	60	..
182	164	Arlington	182	..
37½	22	Armstrong Eq	34	+ 2
82	55	Automotive	78	..
26	21½	B.S.G. Intntl.	26	+ ½
15	7	Bluemel Bros.	9	..
175	128	Bramall, C.D.	170	..
436	325	Br. Aerospace	326	— 4
94	81	Brit. Car Auct.	81	— 2
46	32	B.L.	34	..
168	120	Caffyns	152	— 2
71½	40	Cowie T.	67	..
123	105	DavisGodfrey	105	— 1
218	166	Dowty Group	166	— 7
45	35	E.E.P.	40	— 1
327	270	Flight Refuel.	270	— 5
225	155	Ford	155	— 8
85	56	Gates, FG.	68	..
376	243	Gen. Motors	243	— 7
80	62	Hartwell Grp.	65	..
362	244	Jaguar	244	— 2
74	60	Jessups	61	..
116	96	Kennings	102	..
45	29	Kwik-Fit-Hds	40	..
382	165	Lex-Serv Grp.	170	— 2
100	85	Lookers	94	..
116	88	Lotus Cars	104	— 1
357	246	Lucas Inds	293	+ 5
98	89	Perry Group	96	..
83	65	Plaxton	67	..
49	41	Quick, H. J.	41	..
100	76	Solex, A.	78	..
151	65	WestlndAircft	78	— 2
44	21	Woodhead J.	34	..
45	25	York Trailer	41	..

OIL SHARES

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
129	72	Ampol Petrol.	101	+ 2
51	24	Aran Energy	39	— 1
74	38	Atlantic Reso.	38	— 2
95	70	Atlantis Res.	70	..
76	56	Aust Oil & Gas	57	..
149	80	BerkeleyExp.	80	..
32	15	Bristol Oil	17	— 1
340	295	Brit. Borneo	340	+ 12
515	475	British Petrol	525	..
230	165	Britoil	205	— 2
14	7	z Bula Resource	7	— 1
300	200	Burmah	270	+ 6
175	140	Carless Capel	140	— 2
85	60	Century Oils	71¼	— 1½
65	38	Charterhall	41	..
117	79	CharthseePetl	79	— 1
65	42	z Cluff Oil	42	— 1
108	65	Clyde Petrolm	75	+ 5
207	157	Enterprise Oil	189	+ 2
175	60	Falcon Res.	65	..
250	115	Firstland Oil	146	..
100	60	z Flord Oil	70	..
350	255	Global NResr	260	..
124	82	Goal Petrol	90	..
300	188	Gt. West. Res.	160	..
52	25	Hadson Petrol	—	..
614	590	Hamilton Oil	611½	..
145	124	HuntingPetrol	126	+ 2
360	290	Imp. Cont. Gas	308	— 3
27	18	Jackson Exp.	27	..
155	92	z Johnson&Frill	85	— 3
35	28	KCA Drilling	31½	+ 1½
355	240	LASMO	255	— 1
520	395	LASMO 'Opts'	380	..
83	57	Marinex Pet.	65	+ 5
51	38	NewCourt Nat	27	..
210	108	New Lndn Oil	112	..
100	75	z North S & Gn	98	+ 10
10½	6½	Offshore Oil	9¼	— 1¼
145	70	Oil Inspserv	80	..
24	13	Oil Search	17	..
40	30	Pennine Res.	38	— 1
350	125	Petranol	130	— 5
210	145	Petrocon	151	..
55	38	z Petrogen	42	..
63	43	Premier Cons.	46	+ 1
473	220	Ranger Oil	235	+ 8
650½	142⅛	Royal Dutch	£43⅛	+ ⅛
600	300	z Saxon Oil	350	..
785	645	Shell Transpt	682	+ 1
30	25	z Southwest	30	..
207	123	z Sovereign	137	..
38	28	Steaua Roman	31	..
35	28	T.R. Energy	30	+ 1
11½	4	TarcalPetl pd	9½	..
360	175	z Tricentrol	195	..
248	185	Ultramar	193	— 2
72	30	Warrior Reso.	30	— 3
88	50½	Woodside Pet	68	+ 2

PAPERS & PUBLISHERS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
129	88	Aldcom Int.	58	..
156	135	zAddisonPage	156	— 5
263	183	Assoc. Bookp.	205	— 5
985	457	Assoc. News	870	..
213	175	Assoc. Paper	190	..
115	142	Benross Corp	47	..
412	315	Blade Mansion	325	— 8
515	355	Bristol E. Post	475	..
201	162	BPCC	168	+ 7
170	135	BrunningGrp.	136	+ 1
466	420	Bunzl	430	— 2
519	442	Carlton Comm	740	..
300	225	Chapman Inds	255	..
145	92	Clay, Richard	142	— 3
815	560	Collins, W. Ord	815	..
139	113	Cropper	132	— 2
111¼	825	Dai. & Mail Tst. A	111¼	— ⅛
185	151	DRG	167	..
140	95	East Mid. 'A'	130	+ 2
312	185	Fleet Hldgs.	309	+ 2
168	54	Geers Gross	65	+ 2
360	182	GoodHeadPrnt	188	+ 1
370	243	HaynesPublsh	330	..
46	36	z HoggettBow	37	..
166	127	Ho. beCount N	145	..
156	126	z Horne (Rbt)	153	..
275	163	z Hunterprint	253	..
165	157	Indepdt. News	160	— 5
648	421	Intl. Thomson	450	..
285	265	z KLP Group	265	..
167	137	L.C.A. Hodge	157	..
315	117	Lowe, Howard E	218	— 1
184	146	McCorquodale	160	..
146	85	Mart. Bulletin	140	..
97	65	MoreO'Ferral	68	..
146	98	z Morgan Com	150	+ 5
139	105	Norton Opax	108	..
550	422	Octopus	540	+ 10
45	31	Oliver Paper	31	..
143	130	Pritnsth & Sun	142	— 2
395	250	Routledge&K	375	..
770	595	Saatchi	635	— 5
114	92	Scott & Robsn	93	..
146	112	Smith, David	155	..
15	73	Smurfit, J.	79†	..
77	5	z Trade Prmtrs	77	..
277	276	Trinity Intnl.	347	+ 2
227	229	Utd. Newspapr	265	+ 5
218	195	Usher Walker	215	..
675	300	z VasinPolien	465	..
45	38	Wace Group	43	..
650	465	Waddington	550	..
264	225	Watmoughs	225	..

PLANTATIONS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
258	185	AngloIndones	185	..
918¼	500	Assam Dooars	905	..
157	125	Bertam Hlds.	155	..
117½	74	Cons. Plant	76	..
143	101	Harrisons Mly	103	+ 2
97	72	High'nds&Low	72	..
68	52	Hlrs. Rubber	52	..
106	68	Kuala'Lumpur	75	..
92	57	Kulim	57	..
189	144¼	Lawrie Plant	417¼	..
132	91	Ma'akoff	91	..
348	242	McLeod Russ	300	..
815	730	Moran	745	..
89	71	Bos't Evans	71	..
730	650	Western Doar	650	..
680	480	Williamson.H	480	— 15

PROPERTY

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
18½	11	Abaco Inv.	12	+ ½
114	100	Allied London	105	..
122	100	Apex Props.	110	..
190	170	Asda Prop.	172	— 2
82	70	Bairstow Eves	81	..
402	366	Beaver ('H.)	380	..
236	205	Bilton Percy	220	..
445	350	Bradford Prop	350	+ 5
159	131	British Land	135	— 1
138	124	Brixton Estate	124	..
223	195	Capit&Cntles	215	..
240	165	Centrovincial	187	..
465	400	ChesterfieldPr	408	..
125	95	Connells Est.	122	+ 2
45	30	Control Secs.	36½	— ½
110	97	Cnty & New T	99	..
235	175	Country Prop.	178	..
445	303	Dajan	395	..
21	6	Dares Estates	7½	..
162	145	Estates&Agey	155	..
101	83	Est. & Gen In.	99	..
158	132	Estat. Prpty	144	..
75	68	EvansLeeds	72	+ 3
285	235	EwartNewNth	280	..
163	150	FrogmoreEstt	152	..
183	81	Gable House	57	..
23	19	zGilbertHouse	19	..
182	140	Gt. Portland	142	+ 2
218	184	Greycoat OB	186	..
95	80	zGrosvenorSq	87	..
515	415	Hammerson A	420	— 5
135	92	Hanover Inv.	105	..
502	448	HaslemereEst	446	— 2
66	41½	HK Land	58½	— 1½
510	555	IncryProperty	260	..
510½	700	Intl. Inc. Prop.	700	..
510	254	Laing Props.	255	..
46½	35½	Land Invest.	38½	..
510	253	Land Securities	268	..
286	188	London&Edin	264	— 2
325	252	Lon & Prov Sp	300	..
5½	2½	London Secs.	3	..
137	88	LonshopProp	130	..
325	297	LyntonHldgs	300	..
172	145	Mann & Co.	165	+ 2
105	55	MarchiedSecs.	57	..
56	50	Marlboro Prop.	53	— 1
168	129	MarlerEstates	130	..
126	108	zMarl & Cty P	108	..
122	106	McKay Secs.	120	..
320	255	M.E.P.C.	260	..
410	285	MountleighGp	390	..
330	285	MountviewEst	325	..
85	77	Mucklow A.J.	80	..
80	73	New Cavsh Est	75	..
24	18	z NewEnzland	20	..
32	27	Parkdale Hlds	29	..
286	230	Peachey Corp.	248	+ 1
415	282	Peel Holdings	390	..
194	176	Prop & Rev.	178	..
132	107	Prop Hold&Inv	111	— 1
138	118	Prop Sec. Inv.	119	..
10	7	Property Trst	9	— 1
9½	2	Ruglan	7	..
182	74	RegalianProps.	182	+ 6
110¼	860	Rosehaugh	110½	..
218	210	Rush & Tmkns.	236	..
168	142	Samuel Props.	156	— 1
79	53	Scot. Met. Pr.	79	..
17½	14	z Sheraton Sec	15½	..
140	126	SloughEstates	127	— 1
255	175	Speyhawk	228	..
162	145	Standard Secs.	148	..
73	64	Sterling Guar.	68	..
17	13	Stewart Nairn	14	..
615	412	Stock Conv.	505	..
275	155	Stock Ex. 7¼%	275	..
80	54	Stockley	66	..
190	115	z Tops Estates	178	— 4
47	38	Towne Sec.	40	..
225	198	Trafford Park	197	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
194	170	z Trencherwd.	184	..
47	35	Trust of Prop.	46	..
530	183	Utd Real Prop	485	..
89	65	Walker, Alfred	75	..
665	535	Warner Est.	630	..
446	410	Warnford Inv	555	..
397	110	WatesCityLon	118	..
36	19	Webb, Joseph	19	..
[illegible]	127½	Westbaure	130	..
190	132	Westatc Prop	147	..
127	106	z Wingate	106	..

SHIPPING

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
295	225	British & Com	268	— 2
120	88	Fisher, J.	100	..
631	530	Graig Shipping	600	..
108	85	HuntingGibson	87	..
69½	52	Jacobs, John	65½	..
4	1¾	London&Over	1¾	+ ¼
24	8½	Lyle, S.S.	9½	..
42	35	Mersey Dock U	35	..
95	35	Milford Docks	78	+ 2
196	135	OceanTranspt	155	— 2
615	527	P & O Defd.	587	— 3
30	12	ReardonSmith	—	..
103	74	Runciman, W.	98	— 1

SHOES & LEATHER

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
360	225	Church & Co.	310	— 5
235	188	FII Group	215	..
280	176	Garner Booth	200	..
45	33	Headlam Sims	36	..
184	145	Lambert Hth.	168	— 2
198	52	Newbld&Brtn	68	+ 2
120	81	Pittard Grp.	104	..
150	110	Strong&Fisher	138	..
206	145	Stylo	128	+ 1

TEXTILES

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
520	380	Allied Textile	380	..
140	104	Askins Bros.	142	+ 2
97	70	Beales, J.	76	..
125	84	Beckman, A.	86	..
19	15	Bolton Textile	17	..
136	107	Brit. Mohair	130	..
87½	71	Bulto & Lumb	78	..
172	130	Burmatex	150	— 5
75½	50	Carpets Intrn.	56	..
170	135	Coats Patons	153	— 1
33½	62	Cornh.	86½	..
161	122	Courtaulds	135	— 5
65	36	Crowther, J.	53	..
310	230	Dawson Intnl.	236	— 2
185	116	Dixon, David	163	..
65	58	Early's of Wit	65	..
16	8	Ferguson, J.	15½	..
80	46½	Foster, John	74	..
84	42	Hicking Pent.	61	..
76	51	Illingworth, M	5	..
150	85	Ingram, H.	115	..
70	50	Jerome, S.	62	..
65	51	Kingal & Forst	56	..
184	120	Leeds Group	153	..
61	45	Lister & Co.	57	..
35	18	Lowe, Robt. B	32	+ 3
82	66	Lyle, S.	70	..
107	86	McII Group	100	..
95	72	Mackay Hugh	72	..
29½	13	Munton, Gp.	13½	..
272	198	Notts Manufrs	260	— 4
35	31	Palma Group	32	..
110	97	Parkland Text	97	..
25½	20	Ramar Textile	22½	..
48	30	Readicut	34	..
174	150	S.E.E.T.	154	+ 2
95	88	SandraMurray	99	..
68	35	Sekers Intntl.	67	— 1
44	32½	Shaw Carpets	35½	..
140	109	Sirdar	116	..
14	10	StoddardAlml	11	..
59	33	StroudRiley	42	— 1
100	64	Textured Jsy	97	..
148	110	Tomkinsons	130	..
84	55	Tootal	82½	..

TOBACCOS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	+ or –
385	300	BAT Inds.	300	..
109	67	Carroll Inds.	100	..
220	165	Imps	169	..
202	125	Rothmans	127	+ 1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or –
165	Baker Perkins (nil pd)	8 pm	..
210	Hazelwood Fds (nil pd)	408 pm	..
285	Mills & Allen (nil pd)	22 pm	+ 2
A$1.25	Woodside Pet (nil pd)	4 pm	..

RECENT ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or –
93	Abbey Crest	95	— 1
180	Abbey Life	227	— 1
138	Appletree	132	— 3
125	Aspen Coms.	159	..
155	Assoc Steel Distribrs	167	..
59	ATA	58	— 1
185	Bedford (Williams)	150	..
75	Blanchards	80	— 2
130	Brent Walker	107	..
375	Brit. Aero (£2 pd)	136	— 4
76	C. Brown Car Parts	90	..
165	Clayform Properties	155	..
	CobraEmerald Mines	100	..
135	Coloroll	105	..
70	Cranbrook	80	..
85	Crown International	103	+ 1
84	Datron	85	— 6
220	Domino Print Sci	257	..
117	Electron House	96	..
160	First Security	110	..
	Goodhead Print Grp.	80	..
78	Green Prop.	67	..
300	Holmes & Marchant	325	..
128	Howard Group	172	..
150	Huntleigh Tech.	190	..
140	IBL	137	..
125	Isotron	183	— 2
50	Kalon Grp.	92½	..
27	Leisure Inv	29	+ 1
28	Maxiprint	30	..
120	Micro Scope	100	..
44	Michael John Design	45	..
120	Moorgate Group	156	..
80	Nordic Inv.	58	..
170	Pacer Systems	147	..
41	Perkins, John Meats	35	..
110	Persimmon	92	..
99	Polypipe	115	..
	P&O 6·5% Conv Pref	106	..
100	Prestwick Holding	73	..
135	Promtaprint	127	— 1
	Racal 7% conv.	75	..
115	Salvesen (Christian)	122	+ 1
150	Saphire Petroleum	105	— 1
175	Sherwood Computer	185	..
	Sterge Holdings	240	..
275%	Treas. 5% 1990	275	..
£30	Treas 10% 2004 (£30pd)	697	+ ⅛
75	Trilion	76	..
120	Viewplan	110	..
	Westworld 6% Cv Ln	103½	+ ½
95	Wold	91	+ 2
68	Wyko	64	..

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LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

		Close	Day's range	Contracts traded	High-Low
Long Gilt	Sept	112·14	112·25—112·14	9580	112·26—107·21
	Dec	112·21	112·25—112·21	2	112·25—111·16
US T-bond	Sept	77·22	77·24—77·08	2214	79·12—67·16
	Dec	76·20	76·22—76·08	3	77·27—74·16
3 month £	Sept	88·65	88·68—88·60	1721	88·68—87·48
	Dec	89·27	89·35—89·27	161	89·35—88·62
3 month Euro-dollar	Sept	92·08	92·09—91·93	8431	92·45—88·18
	Dec	91·68	91·68—91·51	554	91·95—91·12
Sterling	Sept	1·3800	1·3888—1·3778	51	1·3880—1·0685
	Dec	—	—	—	1·3742—1·2600
D-mark	Sept	0·3487	0·3488—0·3481	81	0·3494—0·3045
	Dec	—	—	—	0·3253—0·3335
Swiss Franc	Sept	0·4196	0·4196—0·4188	4	0·4201—0·3775
	Dec	—	—	—	—
Yen	Sept	0·4219	0·4220—0·4213	13	0·4211—0·3988
	Dec	—	—	—	0·4035—0·4035
FT-SE 100	Sept	124·55	125·70—124·20	264	134·10—120·40
	Dec	—	—	—	—

Contracts specifications include:
Long-Gilt—notional 20 year stock with 12 pc coupon and face value of £50,000.
US T-bond—notional 15 year stock with 8pc coupon and face value of $100,000.
3 month sterling, eurodollar—£500,000/US$ 1 million with cash settlement option.
Currencies are quoted against the dollar with face values of £25,000, Dm 125,000, Swf. 125,000 and Yen 12,500,000.
FT-SE 100 quoted one-tenth the index with face value of £25 per index point. Settlement cash only.

TRADED OPTIONS

Option	Exercise price	CALLS Closing offer (P) JULY	OCT.	JAN.	PUTS Closing offer (P) JULY	OCT.	JAN.
BP	500	27	48	58	2	17	22
BP	550	2	20	33	28	40	47
Comm. Union	200	3	22	33	2	7	11
Comm. Union	220	1	15	22	11	14	19
Cons. Gold	500	16	58	45	8	20	25
Cons. Gold	550	1	16	30	52	55	60
Courtaulds	130	6	14	19	1	5	7
Courtaulds	140	1½	8	14	5	10	12
GEC	160	8	20	28	2	6	8
GEC	180	1½	11	16	16	18	18
Grand Met.	280	10	20	32	3	8	11
Grand Met.	300	1½	10	18	17	25	26
ICI	700	4	32	47	15	45	50
ICI	750	1	14	27	64	80	87
Land Securities	260	10	19	25	2	6	9
Land Securities	280	2	9	15	14	16	18
Marks&Spencer	130	9	17	21	1½	4	6
Marks&Spencer	140	2	10	15	4	10	13
Shell	650	35	50	82	2½	12	17
Shell	700	5	28	37	22	32	38
Traf. House	325	25	37	—	1	8	—
Traf. House	353	4	19	—	9	18	—

Option	Exercise price	CALLS AUG.	NOV.	FEB.	PUTS AUG.	NOV.	FEB.
Exchequer 10pc 1989	£94	2⁵⁄₁₆	3⅛	3¼	⅛	⅛	⅛
Exchequer 10pc 1989	£96	⅜	1⅞	2⅛	⅞	¾	¾
Treas. 11¾% 2003-07	£108	3⅛	4⅜	4⅞	⅛	¾	1⅛
Treas. 11¾% 2003-07	£110	1⅛	2⅞	3⅛	⅜	1⅛	1⅛
Barclays	385	32	40	—	17	20	—
Barclays	435	8	15	—	52	54	—
BAT Inds	300	18	25	53	12	18	23
BAT Inds	350	6	13	33	35	42	47
British Aerospace	330	14	25	35	12	20	25
British Aerospace	360	4	12	20	40	40	40
British Telecom	160	19	27	35	1½	5	5
British Telecom	170	11	21	—	3½	8	—
Imperial Grp.	180	6½	12	19	16	19	22
Imperial Grp.	200	2	5	10	34	34	36
LASMO	240	35	42	52	7	12	16
LASMO	260	18	28	33	18	25	30
Lonrho	160	11	18	22	3	6	8
Lonrho	180	2½	7	13	16	18	19
P & O	330	34	43	53	4	8	11
P & O	360	11	23	33	12	17	22
Racal	130	16	22	28	4	6	8
Racal	140	9	16	22	10	12	14
R.T.Z.	550	22	40	66	18	25	32
R.T.Z.	600	10	22	35	60	62	67
Vaal Reefs	$80	12	14¼	17½	2	4½	5¾
Vaal Reefs	$90	5¼	7½	11	8	9	11

Option	Exercise price	CALLS SEPT.	DEC.	MAR.	PUTS SEPT.	DEC.	MAR.
BTR	300	45	55	60	4	9	12
BTR	325	22	35	—	13	18	—
Bass	500	60	72	85	5	11	15
Bass	550	22	35	45	22	32	37
Beecham	300	23	30	38	8	14	17
Beecham	330	8	17	20	28	30	37
De Beers	500c	85	73	90	25	35	45
De Beers	550c	25	40	57	48	66	78
Glaxo	1200	55	90	116	35	50	60
Glaxo	1300	18	35	65	100	105	110
GKN	220	12	19	25	14	17	21
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Hanson Tst.	180	—	24	28	—	9	13
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Jaguar	260	10	21	27	20	23	27
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Tesco	236	22	30	—	6	10	—
Tesco	256	8	20	—	12	22	—
* FT-SE 100	1228	35	45	—	8	20	—
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Option	Exercise price	CALLS SEPT.	DEC.	MAR.	PUTS SEPT.	DEC.	MAR.
Sterling (LIFFE)	155c	5·95	8·10	9·61	2·95	3·50	3·60
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Contracts traded: Stock Exchange 7,522. LIFFE 1,625.
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Burton chairman Ralph Halpern, having once more tried to get an agreed deal with Debenhams, has been consulting his advisers on whether to lift his terms any announcement could be made today.

The Al-Fayed brothers' House of Fraser now holds 10·39 p.c. of its rival department stores group, but one of the other companies believed to be interested in a break-up of Debenhams could be pulling out of the affair. Gerald Ronson's Heron Corporation is understood to be selling its holding.

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The details accompanied HAT's full year figures to end February 1985, showing a 12 p.c. rise in pre-tax profits to £11·5m. A 1·9p final dividend on Oct. 2 takes the total from 3·3p to 3·7p.

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Output up 1pc to best level for six years

By FRANCES WILLIAMS

THE continuing pick-up in coal production after the miners strike helped to boost industrial output in May by 1 p.c. to reach its highest level since autumn 1979. But manufacturing production appears to have stagnated since the middle of last year, falling in May for the second month running by 0·2 p.c.

Interpretation of the figures has been complicated by frequent revisions, both up and down, as well as by the distortions introduced by the pit dispute and the conflicting evidence of industry surveys which suggest that manufacturing output has been rather more buoyant than the official data indicate.

Stripping out the effects of the strike total industrial production (manufacturing plus energy) may be rising by about 2½ p.c. a year. This compares with the underlying growth of the economy as a whole of 3½ p.c. shown by the latest estimates of gross domestic product for the first quarter this year.

The actual rise in output over the past year, comparing the three months to May with the same period in 1984, was 4½ p.c., with a 3 p.c. spurt between the two most recent three month periods as the coal industry cranked up production. The mines are now thought to be producing about 80 p.c. of pre-strike output.

Manufacturing alone produced about ½ p.c. more in three months to May than in the previous three months, a rice of just 1½ p.c. over the year.

The disappointing manufacturing figures are likely to reinforce calls by the Confederation of British Industry for further cuts in interest rates to lessen the burden of borrowing costs and help restrain the rise in sterling.

The strength of the pound against European currencies is already beginning to affect export order books and squeeze margins, the CBI fears.

Exports and investment have been the main driving force behind Britain's economic recovery in recent months, though the latest retail sales figures suggest that consumer spending is now picking up rapidly.

Much of the extra demand may, however, have been satisfied from stocks and from imports. Production of investment goods rose by 2 p.c in March-May, far less than the surge in capital spending, while output of consumer goods was broadly unchanged from the previous three months.

The Government is predicting 3½ pc. growth this year (2½ p.c. excluding the rebound of coal production), and continuing at an underlying 2 p.c. to 2½ p.c. next year. But some outside economists fear that with the pound at present on competitive levels growth could slow significantly in 1986.

Total industrial production is now some 12½ p.c. higher than at its nadir in early 1981, but remains slightly below 1979 peak levels. Manufacturing output, which fell by almost a fifth during the recession, has recovered only about half that, and is still nearly 10 p.c. lower than in spring 1979.

Capel and PosTel buy into Scots broker

By BARBARA CONWAY

SCOTTISH stockbrokers Parsons & Co has entered into an unusual deal with two outside partners which could lead to the creation of a new network of independent regional brokers over the next two years.

The deal, to be concluded within the next few weeks, will leave both leading brokers James Capel and PosTel Investment Management, the pension funds for British Telecom and the Post Office, with 20 p.c. of Parsons, on the understanding that neither stake will be increased and that the Scottish firm will retain its independence.

So far the major pension funds have stayed aloof from the horse-trading of stakes in Stock Exchange firms ahead of the "big bang" abolition of minimum commissions next autumn. But the PosTel move looks unlikely to herald any major entry into the field by the funds since most of the large brokers and jobbers have already concluded ownership deals.

Parsons, which has 11 partners and four branch offices including one in London, said yesterday that it had received several approaches, at least one of which would have led to a full takeover when Stock Exchange rules permitted, but "we believe that after all the changes there, is an important role to be played by a strong, regional independent broker."

Both Capel and PosTel had made separate approaches and the three parties had decided that the joint approach was the most satisfactory solution.

No details are being given of the amount of money involved, although it is likely that not all of it will remain in Parsons. But the Scottish firm stressed that it is not anticipating any changes in its own board, apart from the arrangement that both PosTel and Capel will each have a non-executive director. Parsons will not be applying to become a market marker under the new system next year.

The deal will give Capel, which will in due course be wholly-owned by Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, links with a firm with "a very strong position as regards both private and institutional clients in Scotland and probably the largest corporate list of any out-of-London broker," said Capel partner Peter Quinnan. As part of the agreement, Parsons will be provided with all the Capel research material.

The deal is the first direct investment by PosTel in the fast-changing Stock Exchange, but all three parties to the deal would be very interested to consider any other regional broker who wishes to retain a large degree of independence for similar treatment, with any such deal being done through Parsons.

Intasun pays £37m for London hotels

By BRUCE KINLOCH

INTASUN Leisure group has bought two further British Rail hotels — the Grosvenor, Victoria, and the Charing Cross, in the Strand, London — from David and Fredrick Barclay for £37 million.

The hotels, with 350 and 218 rooms respectively, are both classified as three-star and located at major railway stations.

Intasun is not disclosing what it paid for each hotel. But market speculation suggests around £25 million for the Grosvenor and £12 million for the shorter leasehold Charing Cross.

In both cases the acquisitions are conditional upon Intasun obtaining permission from British Rail to assign the leases and upon Intasun's shareholder approval. Mortgage finance for the purchase is being arranged by N. M. Rothschild.

Intasun will seek advice from Ramada Inns on the best method of getting the return from the two important hotels which are both benefiting from the expanding tourist trade.

Hotels are at present being bought on a freehold basis at £120,000 a bedroom. Intasun's acquisitions are both leasehold but have been bought at well below the current market level.

The purchase, added to Intasun's Barbican City Hotel, brings the group's total rooms in London to 1,100, making it tenth in the market in size.

Intasun shares closed 3p higher yesterday at 120p.

TSB Scotland court pledge

A COURT move by a depositor with the Trustee Savings Bank Scotland to halt the sale or transfer of the bank's £1 billion assets ended yesterday with a promise by the bank's custodian trustees not to transfer any assets until the TSB Flotation Bill becomes law.

The undertaking was given at the Court of Session, Edinburgh, on behalf of Mrs Avril Hood of Carnoustie, Angus, and the custodian trustees of the TSB Scotland, Edinburgh.

After Mr John Horsburgh, QC, for Mrs Hood, accepted the undertaking, Lord Ross said he would refuse to grant Mrs Hood the interim interdict which she had sought.

Mr Horsburgh claimed that Mrs Hood, as a depositor who had maintained a credit balance of at least £100, was a member of the bank. As a member she was also the owner of a share of the whole assets of the bank.

If the bank were to be wound up, depositors, he claimed were entitled to share in the assets — not just to a return of their deposits with interest but to the "produce" of their deposits as well.

The proposals to float the bank off into a public limited company along with the savings banks in England and Wales was beyond the trustees' powers, he said.

Mr John Murray, QC, for the custodian trustees, told the court that the action for interim interdict was incompetent and irrelevant. He said Mrs Hood had no title to bring the action. She was not a member of the bank and had no right to its assets, beyond the return of her deposit and the interest earned on it.

Mr Murray said his clients had no intention under the law as it stood to take any steps to transfer the property of TSB Scotland to any person other than for full value.

He said there was an earlier ruling by a former Lord President of the Court of Session and two senior judges on the status of bank depositors. The ruling laid down that depositors were not "members" of the bank.

On that ruling the whole basis of Mrs Hood's case fell completely to the ground.

THE OUTCOME of President Reagan's operation may have grabbed the front pages throughout the western world yesterday, but it proved no more than a nine-minute wonder in the foreign exchange markets. The copious details released once the New York market had closed narrowed the scope for panic reactions, and by the time markets in the Far East and Europe reopened traders were ready to take the view that the President's prospects of a full recovery were genuinely good.

Long before the end of the day the state of the President's health had been overtaken by the prospects of what the Federal Reserve Board's chairman Paul Volcker might tell Congress today about monetary policy and by the chances of a further cut in United Kingdom base rates next week.

On balance the London currency market had a rather quiet day, by the end of which the pound had gained just ⅛ cent against the dollar, and the dollar after trading within a two pfennig range had risen just over ½ pfennig to Deutschemark 2·88½.

Sterling also edged higher on balance against the mark and closed at 4·00½ while the pound's trade weighted average value ended 0·1 down at 83·2 after touching 83·3. Its continuing strong showing has further convinced the City as well as the CBI that the Chancellor has been over cautious and could usefully let base rates down another half notch.

Three-month money in the interbank market accordingly closed a shade below 12 p.c. and the gilt edged market weathered some initial uncertainty and converted early losses into gains of up to £⅝.

But the Bank of England gave no encouragement to further thoughts of cheaper money. The discount market faced a shortage of £1·500 million revised upwards twice to £1,500 million. The authorities were able to buy £469 million worth of bills at midday and mid-afternoon, and arranged sale and repurchase deals to put another £726 million into the market. But even after late lending of £150 million, the market was still £155 million short, overnight interest rates went to 15 p.c. and the discount houses paid up to 12⅝ p.c. for secured money.

Without having to lay the law down too severely the Bank is saying that the Chancellor himself dare not risk a repetition of the January sterling crisis, and it is not wise to look too far ahead, with more United States statistics to come later this week and Opec gathering again next Monday to try and bell the oil price.

CITY COMMENT

City hungry for another base rate chop

Lazards into money-broking

LAZARD BRROTHERS, the merchant bank, going its own way in the City, has decided to break with precedent and become a Stock Exchange money broker in the new gilt-edged market. At present money brokers, all off-shoots of stockbroking firms, arrange the borrowing of government stock by jobbers from the investment institutions. In the restructured gilt-edged market, with its large number of primary dealers, Lazards is in effect assuming that the volume of business will substantially increase, leaving plenty of room for a new entrant to operate alongside the existing six firms.

Lazards will also have the advantage, shared with Cazenove, of avoiding conflicts of interest. This is because Lazards has conspicuously refrained from buying into stockbroking or stockjobbing like many of its rivals and it has no intention of becoming a primary dealer in gilts on its own.

Money broking, however, requires substantial capital. It is being assumed that the Bank of England will insist upon the pledging of at least £5 million to such activities. But if Lazards has the capital, it lacks the staff. Two or three professionals will have to be recruited, presumably from rival firms, to spearhead the new activity.

Lazards is making changes on another front at the same time. Stuart Webb has been recruited from Chase Investors Management in London to become chief executive of Lazard Securities, managing £3 billion of investment funds. His brief is to work more closely with the Lazard banks in Paris and New York, so that the trio may be recognised as fund managers on a global scale.

Making a mark . . .

WITH the dollar weakening international investors are putting their magnifying glasses to the economies of other major western nations in the search for a suitable long-term alternative to the American currency.

For the moment, London has become the favourite parking spot for refugee funds mainly because of high interest rates and the Chancellor's commitment to fighting inflation. Eventually, however, exchange rate experts believe the pound will share the honours with the German mark and Japanese yen.

The latest report on the German economy from the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development provides plenty of support for traditional enthusiasts of the mark. According to the Paris-based organisation, the German economic recovery of the past two years is set to continue for another 18 months accompanied by a further decline in inflation to 2 p.c. in the first half of this year, the lowest inflation rate achieved by any major western nation.

In a section reminiscent of the debate currently taking place in Britain, the OECD economists approve of the German government's record in reducing deficit spending and controlling monetary growth. But they go on to call for "a certain flexibility in the implementation of policy" to ensure against the economy running out of steam.

The OECD argues against further cuts in public spending and urges the government to concentrate instead on lowering taxes and improving the way it spends money. Action should be taken to improve the business climate "by doing away with market rigidities" and by speeding up the already announced privatisation programme.

The key issue for investors is whether the economy can remain buoyant in view of an economic slowdown in America and especially the fact that the present recovery is export-led. Germany has been among the most successful of the European economies in taking advantage of the American boom, with exports having doubled in two years.

Economists at stockbrokers James Capel point out, however, that Germany's dependence on America should not be exaggerated as less than a tenth of the country's exports are destined for the United States against two-thirds for other European countries.

There are hopes that declining demand from across the Atlantic will be offset by moves to stimulate consumer demand within Germany through lower interest rates and earlier tax cuts than originally envisaged.

Authorities on the German Economy believe that itl will continue to prosper on trade front, with James Capel forecasting a rise from DM 18 billion to DM 57 billion in the country's current account surplus this year. That surely bodes well for the mark.

Electra Risk

WE have learnt afresh that 'comparisons are odious.' In reviewing the performance of the first Electra Risk Capital start-up fund and the Basildon funds of the same type, we were too kind to Basildon recently. The exact position is that the Basildon funds are likely to show a healthy gain rather than the five fold appreciation we suggested.

Italians raise Empire stake

EMPIRE Stores shares edged 4p higher to 132p yesterday following news that Gecos, one of two major Italian investors in the mail order company, had raised its stake by 2·67 p.c. to 17·67 p.c.

The British group has attracted considerable speculation in the past about a possible takeover. Several strategic stakes are held in the business.

Another Italian retailer has 5 p.c. Vendex, a top Dutch retailer, has 14·28 p.c. Robert Maxwell's Pergammon Press holds 7·75 p.c. and Great Universal Stores, ordered to cut its stake by the Government, now has 12·7 p.c.

Euroferries issue finds only 12pc acceptance

EUROPEAN Ferries Group is the latest company to have a major share issue torpedoed by the stock market downturn.

The group's £74·2 million rights issue of convertible preference shares has been taken up by holders of only 12 p.c. of the share capital other than the two big Canadian investors John Dick and William Pauls, who together own just over 20 p.c. of the business.

They had said they would subscribe for their rights in full to maintain their holding. Brokers to the issue Hoare Govett are now deciding whether to put the balance of the issue on the underwriters or try and place the stock with new investors. They are expected to decide which course to take today or tomorrow.

The group has secured its money—£71·6 million after expenses—to help fund the building of two new ships, expand harbour facilities at Felixstowe and Larne and further expand the American property portfolio.

The Ordinary shares slipped 1½p to 116½p. They were 142p when the issue was first announced in May. The new preference shares are convertible at an effective price of 156¼p.

Second Telecom payments help cut borrowing

THE public sector borrowing requirement was negative in June, with a net repayment of £60 million, reducing the total for the first three months of the financial year to £2·7 billion, which compares well with a borrowing requirement of £4·6 billion at this stage last year.

But the dramatic improvement last month was entirely due to the second instalment of £1·1 billion the Government received on the sale of shares in British Telecom, which would otherwise have been raised through borrowing.

Spending was £8 billion in June and £26 billion in the first three months, up 6 p.c. on the previous year.

Revenue was £6·4 billion in June and £21·4 billion in the first three months of the financial year, up 7½ p.c. on the same stage a year ago.

Inland Revenue receipts were £10·7 billion, an increase of 6·6 pc., and Customs & Excise receipts rose 14·4 p.c. to £8·8 billion in the first quarter. Other receipts were 20 p.c. down at £2·1 billion. Any changes in Government revenues from North Sea oil will not start to show themselves until the autumn.

● Less emphasis should be placed on the borrowing requirement as a policy indicator, the Institute of Directors says in a paper by its economic adviser Dr Barry Bracewell-Milnes.

Ministers urged to waive £4.9bn water debt

THE chairman of Yorkshire Water, Gordon Jones, yesterday urged the Government to write off the £4·9 billion debt of the country's water authorities to ease the way to privatisation.

He told a conference in London that part of the shares should be made available preferentially to customers and employees of the individual authorities.

The Government is considering privatisation. The authorities hope that a return to the private sector will be in their existing structure, rather than divided or amalgamated geographically or by activity.

Mr Jones said that restraints on charges or dividends would be necessary because of the local monopolies and that supervision would be needed to protect the public.

Poland seeks $800m new aid

POLAND wants western governments to provide $600-$800 million of new credits this year to help it to service old debts and promote exports.

The demands, coming a day after agrement with the West to reschedule $12 billion of official debts, were made in Paris by Zbigniew Karcz, Poland's chief negotiator. He said his country had to pay 2 billion this year in interest alone.

In London, government sources indicated that the Paris Club rescheduling agreement covers debts falling due between 1982 and 1984. It is understood that Poland owes Britain a total of £1 billion.

Wall Street at peak

By JAMES SRODES in Washington

WALL STREET investors yesterday reacted positively but cautiously to reports on the medical condition of President Reagan.

Shares hovered just above the previous day's close for most of the day in light trading but in the afternoon a burst of buying in blue chips pushed the Dow Jones Industrial Average upup more than 6½ points to 1540·15, slightly above the closing record of 1538·60 set last Friday.

But even with the later afternoon efforts, the trading price on Wall Street was unusually tepid, and the overall price gains modest.

For the past several sessions, mini rallies during the day have failed to generate the pick-up in volume necessary to sustain strong advances.

Traders attribute the light selling pace to President Reagan's illness which has investors on edge. There is relief, however, that Wall Street has managed to stay calm.

Investors attention was also occupied by a string of second quarter reports

Citibank, Manufacturers Hanover, and Wells Fargo all reported higher profits in the second quarter although blue chip member GTE corporation said it had reduced earnings for the period.

Crocker $10m net earnings

MIDLAND'S troubled Californian banking subsidiary, Crocker National, yesterday announced that it has managed to stay in the black for the second successive quarter after massive losses in 1984.

Net earnings were $10 million compared with $9 million in the first quarter and $6 million a year earlier. Most of Crocker's huge losses last year occurred in the final quarter after substantial provisions against its loan portfolio.

Crocker has adopted a conservative approach towards loans to Argentina in line with American regulatory guidelines. Interest of $5 million received during the quarter has not been included in profits.

Midland now owns 100 p.c. of Crocker after buying out the minority shareholders in May.

Fleming pays electricals price

THE MOVE by merchant bankers Robert Fleming to develop a dealing operation in electrical shares outside the Stock Exchange has been costly, chairman Joe Burnett-Stuart admitted yesterday.

The downturn in the stock market, which has been most pronounced in the electrical sector, has left Fleming nursing losses on the dealing side of "a few hundred thousand pounds".

Mr Burnett-Stuart made it clear, however, that Fleming has no intention of withdrawing from its market-making activities. There are plans to develop a dealing operation in pharmaceutical shares, he said.

Fleming has five people trading electrical shares and eight analysts dealing with both electrical and pharmaceutical shares.

Fleming announced a 19·6 p.c. rise to £18·5 million in profits after tax and transfers to inner reserves

Profits from corporate finance, where Fleming is small but growing fast, were doubled and the 58·5 p.c. stake in Save & Prosper also produced "another good" set of results.

PARK FOOD GROUP PLC

RECORD PROFITS

Pre Tax Profit	Up	21·5%
Earnings Per Share	Up	25·8%
Dividend	Up	20·0%

	Year ended 31st March 1985	Year ended 31st March 1984	Year ended 31st March 1983
Turnover	£39·24m	£28·65m	£24·35m
Pre Tax Profit	£1·90m	£1·56m	£1·20m
Earnings Per Share	10·08p	8·01p	5·78p
Dividend	3·6p	3p	Private Company

PROSPECTS

★ Substantial increase in hamper orders for Christmas 1985

★ Large Cold Store development widening scope of activities

Annual General Meeting 3rd September 1985, Birkenhead.

COMPANIES

Domino turns in interim £1·2m

DOMINO Printing Sciences, whose offer for sale of £5·5m shares at 200p a share was more than 45 times subscribed when it came to the market in April, has weighed in with first half pre-tax profits of £1·21m against £710,000. Turnover increased by 60 p.c. from £2·99m to £4·78m.

There was no profits forecast and as indicated there is no interim dividend. The board reaffirms its intention to pay a final of 1p.

Alexanders Holdings

WEIGHING in with a first half pre-tax loss down from £548,000 to £49,000, the board of Alexanders Holdings, Scotland's largest Ford main dealers, says the figures reflect members' confidence that it would return to profit in the current financial year.

It was back in profit in the second half of 1983-84 with £183,000 but for that year as a whole had a loss of £165,000.

Aaronite Group

AARONITE Group, the specialist in passive fire protection, swung from a pre-tax profit of £347,000 to a loss of £293,000 in the opening half to end-April. *Turnover dropped 25 p.c. to* £2·41m, principally because of a shortage of offshore related work in the period, while on the construction industry side the Billingsgate contract made a loss *and the return from other contracts* is not yet adequate.

The group says the loss means it is facing up to a poor year as a whole but the interim is held at 1·4p, payable Sept. 5, while the much-awaited new offshore platform starts since April have resulted in it winning some large orders which will run well into 1986.

Brunning Group

THE deferment of some fairly substantial business from March to April and the failure to let the four vacant floors of Brunning House in Whitechapel Road, London, lie behind the drop in Brunning Group's pre-tax profits from £452,000 to £371,000 over the year ended March.

Geoffrey Brunning, the chairman of this advertising agency and public relations company making £358,000 in the opening half, points out that the deferred business will benefit the current *year's figures and* is also hopeful that before long the Brunning House space will be let or the lease disposed of.

Holders get a 2·3p final on Sept 16 making 4·9p (4·725p) from earnings of 9·1p (10p).

Kitchen Taylor

ROBERT Kitchen Taylor has ended what it describes as an 18-month period of transition and re-organisation with pre-tax profits of £2·25m, *to which the* closing six months contributed just £189,000, against £1·96m for the previous year.

A 5·5p final however makes 16·5p, thus maintaining the previous annual rate of 11p, from earnings of 37·5p (24·6p).

London Continental

LONDON and Continental Advertising Holdings is expanding its outdoor advertising business with the purchase of H. E. Orme and G. F. Kruse which together trade as Paddington Poster *Group.*

The aggregate consideration is £2·82m and will be satisfied by 1·87m new Ordinary in L C A, which have been placed on behalf of the vendors with *institutional and other investors,* and £244,300 in cash.

In 1984 Paddington made £180,000 pre-tax on turnover of £1·21m and in a full year it is expected that it will contribute £550,000 to *L C A's* trading profits.

L C A has already proved its expertise in this market for in June 1984 it bought London & Provincial Poster from Reed International for some £18m and immediately instigated a programme of severe rationalisation. This improved margins to around 8 p.c. and was a major factor behind a jump in 1984 group profits from £579,000 to £1·62m pre-tax—with London & Provincial chipping in £861,000 from the date of purchase.

The board says that current trading overall is well up to expectations and they anticipated a further "substantial" increase in dividends.

Multitone Elec.

THE LATEST bad news from the electrical and computer sector comes from Multitone Electronics where the anticipated slowdown in sales growth back in January has meant a slump in pre-tax profits from £1·36m to £515,000 in the year ended March. Turnover declined from £20·6m to £20·36m.

Earnings are back from 5·7p to 1·8p but the total dividend is being raised from 2·65p to 3·78p with a 1·68p final on Sept. 18.

This reflects the board's belief *that a "satisfactory" dividend* cover will be restored, and takes into account the large distributable reserves of £4·6m.

Normans Group

NORMANS Group, the west country discount retailer, reports a 25 p.c. gain in *pre-tax* profits from £1·85m to £2·45m in the year to March 30.

The main food retail operations showed a 15 p.c. advance. The tea growing business in *Malawi* (from the former Singlo Group) contributed £944,000 although with local prices now halved it will not make anything like that this time.

The dividend is 1·8p a share *for the year* (up 16 p.c.). *The* group says it has had no takeover approaches at all despite the high level of bid activity in the business.

Reed Executive

THE IMPROVEMENT at Reed Executive—in terms of both profits and dividends—has continued for the group has turned in pre-tax profits of £2·21m for the 12 months ended March against £1·51m for the previous 15 month period.

There is a final dividend of 2p on Oct. 14 for a 5p (1·6p-15 months) total from earnings of 12·06p (12·43p-15 months).

At the trading level the employment and travel agents activities made £1·97m (£1·19m) while the self service drugstores —Medicare—contributed £542,000 (£201,000). Turnover rose from £45·4m to £51·7m.

The board points out, however, that on an annualised basis turnover improved by 46·2 p.c. for Reed Employment and 26·1 p.c. for Medicare. It adds that the thrust continues and business remains at a high level in both companies.

Stroud Riley

IN LINE with the forecast at the interim stage when pre-tax profits were £94,000 lower at £411,000, the full year out-turn from worsted and knitted textile manufacturer Stroud Riley Drummond is down—from £916,000 to £650,000, after interest charges of *£434,000 (£265,000).*

The board consider this extremely disappointing as sales were £905,000 up at £16·1m and there was a good order book throughout the year.

The current year however has started well. A 1·5p final on Sept. 15 keeps the total at 2·25p from earnings of 5·19p (10·36p).

IN BRIEF

Lowland Investment: Have issued by way of placing £1m 11¼ p.c. debenture stock 2010 at £99.026 p.c. It will form a single series with the existing £2m 11¼ p.c. debenture stock 2010 issued in December.

Vantage Securities. First half pre-tax revenue £31,500 (£28,000). Investment income £54,700 (£53,200). Eps 0·73p (0·64p). Nav. 56·8p (45·1p). Interim dividend 0·4p (0·35p); free issue of *warrants to ordinary holders on* basis of one warrant for every five Ordinary. Warrant entitles holder to subscribe for one new ordinary at end-March in any of years 1986 to 1992 inclusive at price equivalent to nav. at end-July, 1985.

BIDS AND DEALS

Bell board has 'head in sand'

THE DIRECTORS of Arthur Bell & Sons "have their heads in the sand," shareholders are told in a circular sent to them yesterday by Guinness, which is bidding around £300 million for the Perth distillers.

An Office of Fair Trading decision is expected today on whether the bid should be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Tomorrow is the first closing day nominated by Guinness for accepting the offer of nine of its own shares for every ten held in Bell, with a cash alternative of 225p a share.

Bell is underperforming in both the home and overseas markets, says Guinness.

Yesterday Bell was unchanged at 236p and Guinness fell 2p to 250p.

MINING

Anglovaal Group

ANGLOVAAL Group's four gold mines all increased their net profit in the quarter ended June 30. Harties' rose from R51·3m to R56·5m; Eastern Transvaal *Consolidated from* R3·91m to R8·67m; Loraine from R12·73m to R12·75m; and Village Main Reef from R527,000 to R653,000.

At the antimony mine Consolidated Murchison net *profit* was R3·91m *compared with* R2·34m.

JCI

NET PROFIT at Randfontein Estates rose from R57·9m to R77·7m in the three months ended June 30. At Western Areas though the working loss from gold operations was reduced from R4·95m to R1·91m, a lower tax credit clipped net profit from R5·66m to R4·99m, quarterly reports from Johannesburg Consolidated Investments show.

THE QUESTOR COLUMN

Berkeley Tech on way back

NEVER kick a share when it's down—hit, if you can, preferably with a sledgehammer. That is often the case when a stock has consistently disappointed and the City finds a new reason to mount an attack.

In the case of Berkeley Technology, which was offered at 150p a share in February and has never soared higher than 155p, that new reason is the current weakness of the United States dollar against the pound, combined with the general *disenchantment* with the high technology sectors.

Berkeley's shares experienced a dull period between February and mid-May before plummeting like a *stone* to a low of 70p two days ago. Yesterday they enjoyed a minor resurgence, bouncing to 85p, but that did little to relieve the feeling that the recent downgrading of the shares has been heavily overdone.

Berkeley's business comprises two divisions. One is the financing of already established but developing small high technology companies in the United States — that is, fee-earning business.

The other is an investment trust operation whereby the company is attempting to build up a portfolio of high technology investments, most of which have been its own proteges.

When the group raised $44 million by way of the offer for sale in February most of the proceeds were headed in that direction and although a large part of the proceeds is still on deposit, that is still the overall aim.

Arriving at a reasonable stock market rating for *Berkeley is* not easy, but it does still have that $44 million either in investments or on deposit. It also has a fee income which could be as *high as* $10·15 *million* in calendar 1985, plus at least $2·6 million or so of interest receivable from its bank deposits.

Assuming that the fee income side can be placed on an undemanding price-earnings ratio of around eight times prospective, after a 33 p.c. tax charge, the total worth of the group, *including its investment assets,* looks to be about $91 million which on an exchange rate of $1·40 to the pound translates into 114p per share.

Berkeley has *always* been presented as a long-term investment—most of its proteges are expected to take one or two years to reach maturity — but over the short term the shares should climb back above £1 each.

Long term view for Howden

HOWDEN Group has come in from the cold. In January the *share price was coasting around* the 65p level before taking off for its March peak of 105·5p. Now at 94·5p (up 4p) and with £14 million in net funds there is a cash backing of 25p a share, an attraction complemented by the tenth successive year of growth.

In the year ended April 30 *pre-tax profits rose from* £10·07 million to £11·37 million, though trading margins were squeezed from 6·3 p.c. to 6·14 p.c. as order intake in some divisions was slow to pick up after a hesitant start. But with additional contracts in the United Kingdom, orders from China, Iran and a more determined assault to be made on the Malaysian and South East Asian markets further solid, if unexciting, growth is in sight.

Within the James Howden Group increased mining activity helped the South African arm and new business was gained in Saudi Arabia and South Korea. Its important power station contracts remains on schedule *and still have life left in them.*

Compressor and refrigeration interests were generally depressed, though Wayne H. Coloney, acquired in September *for £2 million,* made a contribution and orders for Belgian and Dutch navy minesweepers brighten an otherwise mixed year for the Holland subsidiary.

Order intake was reasonable in Australia where Godfrey Howden, Melbourne, benefited from a restructure in its industrial division and Sydney *maintained its profit contribution.*

New product lines and a recovery in some of its slacker markets gives the group an *overall order book* which takes it well into the 1980s, and with cash available acquisitions, with the United States in mind, can be expected.

A *profits* advance to £13 million puts the shares on a prospective price earnings ratio of 6·8, backed by a 5·1 p.c. yield. The share is likely to *stay* locked in the 90p-100p range in the short term, but remain attractive on a longer term view.

Hold on to your H A T

PROPERTY development is only a *fragment* of H A T Group but the future of its "first and last" venture into this field in the United States, the 225,000 sq ft "Keplinger Building" development, has overshadowed the painting, cleaning and building services group for some time.

Quite right, too, for at the *end of February* the cost of the investment had risen from the maximum £20 million first envisaged to almost doube that as the dollar went from around two to the pound to near parity.

H A T thought it had "sold" the property a number of times, hence its confidence at midway, but in a soft market could not get an acceptable price. At the year end it was still in the books, and at £39 million the associated debt helped push gearing up to the 95 p.c. mark.

Sterling's subsequent recovery has helped ease the position — gearing is currently around 75 p.c. — but H A T, which is used to a much lower level of borrowings, still finds this unacceptable.

The deal with United States Property Trust although not the ideal solution provides an acceptable way out. H A T will emerge with a gearing below 20 p.c. and retains a 49 p.c. interest in what it still considers a "first rate property."

It recognises, however, that it may be some time before the property market in Houston recovers and the £3·4 million extraordinary charge below the line relating to the continuing investment, will ensure no repeat of the £600,000 charge in respect of Houston, made against H A T's profits this time.

At £11·5 million against £10·2 million, H A T's pre-tax outturn is in line with revised market estimates and reflects good performances in painting, plant hire and maintenance, re-organisation in the glass divison, and fairly flat performances elsewhere.

With Houston out of the way, the painting side expected to benefit following the long overdue full integration of the Tighe and Slins acquisitions, and glass expected to benefit from re-organisation despite a "flat" start, H A T looks capable of £13·5 million without really trying this time around.

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Over-the-Counter Market

1984/85 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div(p)	Yd %	P/E Actual	P/E Fully Taxed
148	125	Ass. Brit. Ind. Ord.	135	—	6·6	4·6	7·5	8·9
151	135	Ass. Brit. Ind. CULS	138	—	10·0	7·2	—	—
77	44	Airsprung Group	44xd	—	6·4	14·5	7·3	8·6
42	26	Armitage & Rhodes	36	—	2·9	8·1	4·5	7·5
158	108	Bardon Hill	158xd	+2	4·0	2·5	20·0	20·8
64	42	Bray Technologies	64	—	5·9	6·1	7·8	9·0
201	161	CCL Ordinary	162	—	12·0	7·4	4·0	3·8
152	105	CCL 11% Conv. Pref.	105	—	15·7	14·9	—	—
130	10	Carborundum Ord.	130	—	4·9	3·8	6·4	10·1
88	83	Carborundum 7·5% Pref.	88	—	10·7	12·2	—	—
75	46	Deborah Services	46	—	6·5	14·1	4·4	7·1
457	182	Frank Horsell	475xd	—	1·4	0·3	11·7	15·0
385	170	Frank Horsell Pr. Ord. 87	360xd	—	11·9	3·3	9·5	11·9
32	25	Frederick Parker	26	—	—	—	—	—
65	33	George Blair	63	—	—	—	4·4	8·7
50	20	Ind. Precision Castings	20	—	2·7	13·5	5·5	5·9
218	177	Isis Group	180	—	15·0	8·3	7·1	12·9
124	101	Jackson Group	106	—	5·5	5·2	7·1	7·1
285	215	James Burrough	236	+1	15·0	6·4	7·4	7·4
93	83	James Burrough 9% Pref.	92	+1	12·9	14·0	—	—
95	71	John Howard & Company	89	—	5·0	5·6	7·1	11·1
225	100	*Linguaphone Ord.*	214	—	—	—	7·9	6·2
100	92	Linguaphone 10·5% Pref.	95	+1	15·0	15·8	—	—
650	300	Minihouse Holding N.V.	585	−5	6·9	1·2	26·0	24·7
120	51	Robert Jenkins	66	—	5·0	7·6	—	—
60	28	Scruttons 'A'	33	—	—	—	—	3·5
82	61	Torday & Carlisle	75	—	5·0	6·7	5·8	6·9
444	325	Trevian Holdings	325	—	4·3	1·3	13·5	18·2
30	17	Unilock Holdings	30	—	1·3	4·5	14·6	21·0
104	81	Walter Alexander	104	+1	7·5	7·2	7·8	11·2
247	216	W. S. Yeates	220	—	17·4	7·9	6·3	10·6

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MONEY & EXCHANGES

THE DOLLAR held up on the exchanges yesterday in spite of President's Reagan's illness, with the pound closing just marginally ahead at $1·3875 against $1·3862 overnight.

Sterling also edged forward in terms of other major currencies, rising from 4·0007 to 4·0050 against the mark. But its average international value ended the day at 83·1, down from 83·2 overnight, after 83·3 in early morning *trading.*

Key factors inhibiting a further strong rise in the pound are expectations of another small cut in British bank base rates and uncertainty over next week's meeting of Opec.

Dealers are also waiting to hear what Federal Reserve Board chairman Paul Volcker has to say in testimony to Congress later today.

The cost of wholesale money in London eased again on base rate hopes, with the key three month interbank rate falling below 12 p.c. Very short term *money costs remained high,* however, because of liquidity shortages in the banking system.

These were put at £1·5bn, necessitating massive Bank of England intervention *to provide the market with cash.*

Yearlings down

INTEREST RATES in the local authority yearling bond market have fallen again this week—from 11⅛ p.c. to 11 9/16 p.c. Issues are again all at par and borrowers include Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council (£1m) and City of Aberdeen, Tamworth Borough Council, Hart District Council and City of Dundee District Council (£500,000 each).

THE POUND ABROAD

	16-7-85	Prev. close
Austria	28.06 – 09	28.04 – .09
Belgium*	80.50 – .63	80.19 – .35
Canada	1.8745 – .8770	1.8708 – .8743
Denmark	14.3717 – .3895	14.3489 – .3700
France	12.1355 – .1649	12.1307 – .1716
Germany W	4.0014 – .0085	3.9965 – 4.0050
Holland	4.4867 – .5132	4.4975 – .5064
Ireland	1.2725 – .2758	1.2769 – .2820
Italy	2584.44 – 2590.49	2579.80 – 2586.75
Japan	329.36 – 329.81	330.10 – .66
Norway	11.5884 – .6057	11.5779 – .6043
Portugal	232.07 – 235.01	231.38 – 234.40
Spain	230.71 – 231.02	229.44 – .85
Sweden	11.6369 – .6522	11.6451 – .6647
Switzerland	3.3198 – .3246	3.3197 – .3250
Utd. States	1.3870 – .3880	1.3855 – .3870

* Convertible rate.

Effective Sterling Exchange Rate Index NOON 83·2 83·3, CLOSE 83·1 83·2 (Base 1975 = 100)

OTHER MARKET RATES

Argentina	Austral 1.1112 – 1.1154
Australia	A$1 9500 – 1.9540
Brazil	Cruzero 8611.80 – 8645.80
Cyprus	C£ 0.8173 – 0.8250
Finland	Markka 8.3650 – 8.3738
Greece	Drachmas 177.85 – 181.68
Hong Kong	HK$10·74 – 10·76
India	Rupee 16.6112
Iraq*	Dinar 0.4319 – 0.4341
Kuwait	Dinar 0.4160 – 0.4190
Malaysia	Ringgit 3.42 – 3.43
Saudi Arabia	Riyal 5.0865 – 5.0965
Singapore	S$ 3.06 – 3.07
South Africa	Rand 2.6300 – 2.6376
United Arab Emirates	Dirham 5.0865 – 5.1265

* Subject to limit

DOLLAR RATES

	16-7-85	Prev. close
France	8·7580	8·7562
Germany	2·8850	2·8790
Switzerland	2·3935	2·3938
Japan	237·75	238·25
Trade weighted ave.	138·20	138·4

EUROCURRENCIES

DOLLARS: 7 days 7¼–7⅛; 1 month 7¼–7⅛; 3 months 7 11/16–7 13/16; 6 months 7 15/16–8 1/16

MARKS: 7 days 5 1/16–5⅜; 1 month 5 1/16–5 3/16; 3 months 5 1/16–5⅛; 6 months 5⅛–5 5/16

SWISS FRANCS: 7 days 1¼–1½; 1 month 4 15/16–5 1/16; 3 months 4 15/16–5 1/16; 6 months 5–5⅛

FORWARD RATES

The forward rates for currencies for one month and three months are as follows:

	One month	Three months
Austria	15⅜–14⅛ Gr. pm	39½–36 Gr. pm
Belgium	28–23 c.pm	65–59 c.pm
Canada	0.54–0.45 c.pm	1.26–1.11 c.pm
Denmark	4–2⅛ Ore pm	9¼–8¼ Ore pm
France	2⅝–2⅛ c.pm	5⅝–4⅞ c.pm
Germany W	2⅝–2⅜ Pfg pm	7–6⅝ Pfg pm
Holland	2⅝–2⅛ c.pm	6⅜–6 c.pm
Italy	Par–3 Lr.dis	8–12 Lire dis
Japan	1⅛–1⅜ Yen pm	4¼–4⅜ Yen pm
Norway	¾ O.pm–¼ O.dis	½–1½ Ore.dis
Portugal	115–470 c.dis	460–1575 c.dis
Spain	30–50 c.dis	155–205 c.dis
Sweden	2⅛–3½ Ore dis	9⅛–10 Ore dis
Switzerland	2¼–2 c.pm	6–5⅝ c.pm
Utd. States	0.58–0.55 c.pm	1.39–1.36 c.pm

GOLD PRICE

1st Fix $316 80. 2nd Fix $321·75 — Close $319·75 ($316·50). Sterling Equiv. £230·48 (£228·30).

KRUGERRANDS*

£229·60–£275·64 (£229·00–£274·88)

PLATINUM NOBLES

£200·65–£205·00 (£197·86–£200·18)

NEW SOVEREIGNS*

£50·00–£59·00 (£50·00–£59·00)

* Banks selling rate includes VAT and charges. Buying rate excludes VAT. Prices are for single coins.

MONEY MARKET RATES (per cent.)

CLEARING BANKS Base Rate 12pc (July 15)

FINANCE HOUSES Base Rate 13 pc (July)

DISCOUNT MKT.: *Day-to-Day* 12¼–12⅛

INTERBANK: Overnight 12⅛–12¼; 7 days 12½–12⅜; 1 month 12 5/16–12⅛; 3 months 11 15/16–12; 6 months 11¾–11⅞

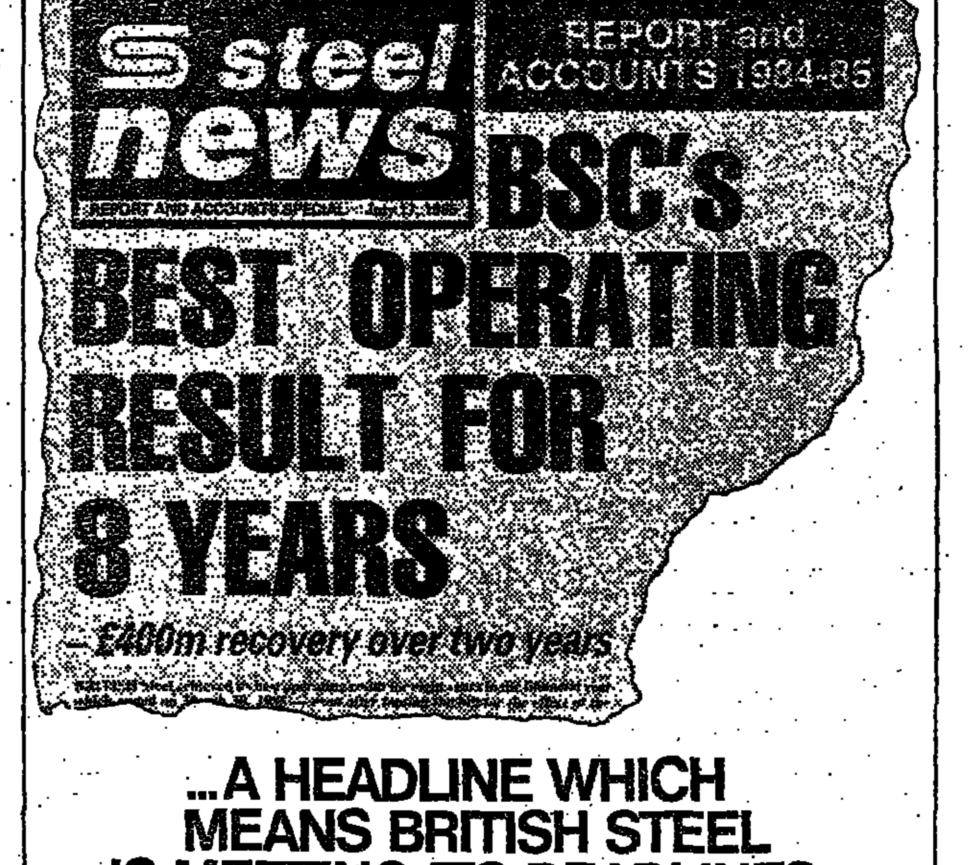
LOCAL AUTHORITY DEPOSITS: Two days 12⅛; Seven days 12⅛; One month 12¼; Three months 11⅞

BANK BILLS: 1 month 11 25/32–11 29/32; 3 months 11⅝–11⅞; 6 months 10⅞–11

TREAS. BILLS: 1 month 11 27/32–11 29/32; 2 months 11 9/16–11 11/16; 3 months 11⅜–11½

STERLING C.Ds.: 1 month 12 1/16–12 3/32; 3 months 11 15/16–11⅞; 1 year 11 5/16–11¼

DOLLAR C Ds.: 1 month 7.60–7.70; 3 months 7.65–7.75; 1 year 8·35–8·55



...A HEADLINE WHICH MEANS BRITISH STEEL IS MEETING ITS DEADLINES.

Highlights from the review of the past year, 1984-85, by Sir Robert Haslam, Chairman of British Steel:

- British Steel achieved its best operating result since 1976-77 — even after paying the £180 million effect of the NUM strike.
- Without that NUM-imposed injury, British Steel would have announced an operating profit of £40 million (after interest, but before exceptional costs).

That would have been £104 million better than the objective set British Steel by the Government — in one of the most difficult and troubled years in BSC's history. It also represented a total improvement of more than £400 million in British Steel's operating results over the last two years.

- Exceptional costs of £264 million included £103 million for buying out British Steel's share in the long-term debt of a Canadian iron ore facility, thereby eliminating an on-going annual liability of £40 million. Other exceptional costs of rationalisation, works closures and privatisation projects, reflected British Steel's determination to get itself into the most effective shape as quickly as possible. This level of exceptional costs is not expected to be repeated in the foreseeable future.

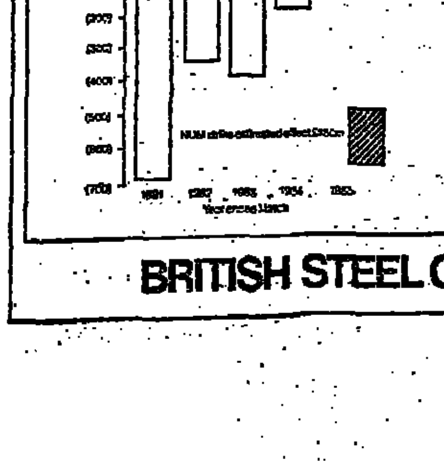
Other key factors:

Market share was maintained in the UK despite the constraints of the NUM strike.

Productivity was maintained at a level at least equal to the best in Europe or North America.

Privatisation saw further progress; book value of assets privatised or sold in the past five years was raised to £349 million, plus £74 million of property sales.

Financial results	1984/85 £m	1983/84 £m	1982/83 £m
Results after interest (before exceptional costs) comprising:			
Profit excluding estimated effect of NUM strike	40		
Estimated effect of NUM strike	(180)		
Loss on ordinary activities before exceptional costs	(140)	(174)	(383)
Exceptional costs	(264)	(79)	(483)
Taxation and minority interests	(5)	(3)	(3)
Total loss for the year	(409)	(256)	(869)
Turnover	3,736	3,358	3,231
Net assets employed at year end	2,360	2,268	2,190



STOP PRESS

Sir Robert also revealed that British Steel has made a clear operating profit in each month so far in the current financial year — confirming that British Steel's estimates of the effect of the NUM strike were well based.

BRITISH STEEL CORPORATION

NatWest SAVER SERVICE

NatWest announces the following changes in Saver Service interest rates, effective from 16th July, 1985:

Customers not affected by CRT: Gross Interest per annum		Customers affected by CRT: Net Interest per annum	Gross equivalent per annum to a basic rate taxpayer
11.00%	Mortgage Saver Account	8.875%	12.68%
10.75%	Bonus Saver Account	8.625%	12.32%
10.75%	Piggy Bank/On Line Accounts	8.125%	11.61%
8.75%	7 Day Notice Deposit Account	6.625%	9.46%

National Westminster Bank PLC
41 Lothbury London EC2P 2BP

AVESCO plc

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the first ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF AVESCO PLC will be held at Venture House, Davis Road, Chessington, Surrey on Thursday, the Eighth day of August, 1985, at 11.30 a.m. for the following purposes:

ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Report of the Directors and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 1985, together with the Report of the Auditors.
2. To declare a final Dividend of 0·4p per share on the Ordinary Shares of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 1985.
3. To re-elect the directors.
4. To re-appoint the Auditors, Messrs Berke Cohen Fine & Partners and to authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit to pass the following Resolutions, of which Resolution numbered 5 will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution and Resolution number 6 as a Special Resolution.

5. THAT the Authorised Share Capital of the Company be increased from £225,000 to £260,000 by the creation of 3,500,000 Ordinary Shares of 1p.
6. THAT with respect to the unissued share capital of the Company as increased by Resolution Number 5 above, the Directors of the Company be and are hereby generally authorised for the purposes of Section 80 and pursuant to Section 95 of the Companies Act, 1985 during the period commencing the 8th August, 1985 and expiring on 7th August, 1990;

(a) to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot relevant securities (as defined in Section 80 (2) of the said Act);

(b) to allot equity securities (as defined in Section 94 of the said Act) as if Section 89 (1) of the said Act did not apply thereto and to make any offer or enter into any agreement which would or might require relevant securities to be allotted after the expiry of such period.

TO TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Cameron Maxwell,
Secretary, 4th July, 1985.

NOTES: 1. Every Member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of that Member. A Proxy need not be a member of the Company.

2. Mr R. A. Murray-Obodynski and Mr A. Sexton each have a Service Agreement with the Company. Copies of the Agreements and a copy of Mr Bauer's Contract with the Company are available for inspection during normal business hours on any weekday (Saturdays and Public Holidays excluded) at Venture House, Davis Road, Chessington, Surrey until the end of the Annual General Meeting.

3. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BEARER OF SHARE WARRANTS: You will not be entitled to attend or vote at the Annual General Meeting unless your Share Warrant and a statement in writing with your name and address is deposited *on or before Monday 5th August 1985 at the* offices of Kempen & Co. NV DAM 27, P O 11363 1001 Amsterdam or at the offices of Singer & Friedlander Ltd. of 21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4HR. The Share Warrant shall remain so deposited until after the Meeting or any adjournment thereof shall have been held. A copy of the Accounts of the Company made up to 31st March 1985 *together with a Proxy Form and a Circular* from the Directors regarding the proposed increase of capital is available for collection during business hours on any weekday (Saturdays and Public Holidays excluded) until the date of the Annual General Meeting from the offices of Kempen & Co. NV and from Singer & Friedlander Ltd at their respective addresses above. THIS NOTE DOES NOT APPLY TO HOLDERS OF REGISTERED SHARES to whom separate notification has been sent.

Financial Highlights for the year to 31st March 1985

	1985 £000	1984 £000	% Increase
Turnover	1,994	1,463	36·3
—Exports	1,162	967	20·2
—UK	832	496	67·7
Profit			% Increase
before taxation	854	497	71·8
after taxation	713	300	139·3
	Pence	Pence	% Increase
Earnings per share after taxation	4·3	1·8	138·9
Dividends per share	0·4	—	

INSURANCE, PROPERTY, BONDS, ETC.

CANADA LIFE

CANNON FUND MANAGERS LIMITED

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUND

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

CONFEDERATION FUND MNGMT

CONTINENTAL LIFE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD.

COUNTY BANK UNIT SERVICES LTD

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD

EPM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMIN LIMITED

EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MNGRS LTD

ATLANTA UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.

BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO. LTD.

BARCLAYS UNICORN LIMITED

BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD.

BARRINGTON MGMT. CO. LTD

ARCHWAY UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.

BISHOPSGATE PROGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT CO.

BRIWIN UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

BRIGHT FUND MNGRS (U.K.)

BRITANNIA GROUP OF UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED

BROWN SHIPLEY & CO.

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD

CAPITAL MANAGERS LTD

CAPITAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

CAPEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

CENTRAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

CHARTERHOUSE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

CHARTWELL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

CITY OF LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

CLIVE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

COMMERCIAL UNION GROUP

CONFEDERATION LIFE INS. CO.

CORNHILL INSURANCE PLC

CRITERION ASSURANCE GROUP

CROWN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT LTD.

DAVIS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

DEALMARK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

DEVONSHIRE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

DIVERSIFIED UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

DRAKE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

EAGLE STAR INSURANCE MIDLAND ASSURANCE

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY

EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY PLC

EUROLIFE ASSURANCE GROUP

FRAMLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE LIMITED

FRIENDS PROVIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE

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GENERAL ACCIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE

GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE INSURANCE PLC

GENERAL TRUSTEE UNIT MANAGERS

GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

GENERAL WALKER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

GENERAL WINTERTHUR LIFE

GENERAL & LEGAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

GENERAL & LEGAL (UNIT PENSIONS) LIMITED

G.T. MANAGEMENT (U.K.) LIMITED LONDON AGENTS

GRESHAM UNIT ASSURANCE LTD

GRESHAM/WARRINGTON FUNDS

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED

HENDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST. MNGRS.

HILL SAMUEL LIFE ASSURANCE

IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

IMPERIAL LIFE (UK) LTD

KLEINWORT BENSON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT ASSURANCE) LIMITED

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT PENSIONS) LIMITED

LAZARD BROTHERS & CO. (GUERNSEY) LTD

LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD

LLOYDS LIFE ASSURANCE LTD

LONDON & MANCHESTER GROUP

LONDON & MANCHESTER (UNIT MNGMT.) LTD.

LONDON UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.

LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

LONDON ATHENS & NTHN MTL. ASSOC. LTD.

LONDON & SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

LAS UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.

LAURENTIAN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD.

MARLBOROUGH COURT FUND MANAGERS LIMITED

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD

MEAL UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT

MENCAP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

MERCURY FD MNGRS LTD

MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED

MINSTER FUND MNGRS LTD

MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MNGRS

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TST MANAGEMENT LIMITED

NFU MUTUAL UNIT MANAGERS LTD

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

OFFENHEIMER FUND MNGT LTD

PEARL TRUST MANAGERS

PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS

PROVIDENCE CAPITAL FUND MANAGERS LTD

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

QUILTER INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LTD.

QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD

REED STENHOUSE INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD

RELIANCE UNIT MANAGERS LTD

ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT

ROYAL LIFE FD MNGT LTD

THE ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD

ROWAN UNIT TST MNGT LTD.

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP

SCHRODER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

SCHRODER UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FUND MANAGERS LTD.

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.

SCOTTISH UNIT MANAGERS LTD

SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MANAGEMENT

STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD

STEWART UNIT TST MANAGERS LTD.

SUN ALLIANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD

SUN LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD.

TSB UNIT TRUST

TARGET TST MNGRS LTD

TEMPLE BAR UNIT TST MNGRS

TOUCHE REMNANT UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD

TYNDALL MANAGERS LIMITED

TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES COMPANY LTD

VANGUARD TRUST MANAGERS LTD

WARBURG INVEST. MNGMT. (UGM) LTD.

WARDLEY UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.

WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD.

WHITINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

ANTHONY WIGLER UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.

ABBEY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD

ALBANY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD

ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE PLC

AMBASSADOR LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD.

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES (C.I.)

AITKEN RUME (GUERNSEY) LTD.

BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD

BRITANNIC UNIT LINKED INSURANCE LTD.

BRITISH NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD.

CANNON ASSURANCE LTD

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UNIT TRUST PRICES

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LONDON LIFE
100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA. 0272-279179

1985 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		Assurances		
338·1	307·5	Equity	—	[illegible]
193·2	172·9	Fixed Int.	—	[illegible]
204·3	197·3	Property	—	204·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit	—	[illegible]
247·0	234·5	Mixed	—	240·1
119·3	112·3	Index Stock	—	115·4
144·0	123·7	International	—	125·7
		Pensions		
265·4	251·5	Equity (P)	—	256·9
[illegible]	186·9	Fixed Int. (P)	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	144·8	Property (P)	—	[illegible]
131·0	126·2	Deposit (P)	—	131·0
203·6	190·3	Mixed (P)	—	196·6
129·0	120·0	Index Stock (P)	—	[illegible]
139·6	124·0	International (P)	—	124·3

MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO (U.K.)
St George's Way, Stevenage 0438-356101

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
302·4	287·6	Managed	281·3	[illegible]
216·0	229·4	Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	301·7	Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
218·6	201·9	Gilt Edged	[illegible]	[illegible]
181·1	175·9	Deposit	[illegible]	[illegible]
291·4	241·4	International	[illegible]	[illegible]
157·0	127·0	Investment	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Pension Fund Prices		
206·8	197·6	Managed Init	—	[illegible]
234·5	220·5	Managed Acc	—	[illegible]
196·7	176·5	Property Init	—	195·7
[illegible]	199·1	Property Acc	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	219·5	Equity Init	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Acc	—	[illegible]
190·2	174·1	Gilt Edged Init	—	[illegible]
217·7	191·8	Gilt Edged Acc	—	[illegible]
133·4	128·9	Guaranteed Init	—	[illegible]
151·7	141·6	Guaranteed Acc	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	285·1	International Init	—	[illegible]
375·8	322·0	International Acc	—	[illegible]
123·1	116·8	Index Link Gilt Init	—	113·6
139·5	129·6	Index Link Gilt Acc	—	134·6

MERCHANT INVESTORS ASS. CO LTD
Leon House, 233 High Street, Croydon CR9 1LP. 01-686 9171

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
296·4	292·1	Property Life Fund	—	296·4
[illegible]	375·4	Property Pens.	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.K. Equity Life	—	[illegible]
549·9	500·1	Equity Pens Fd	—	504·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Money Mkt Life Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Money Mkt Pen Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Managed Life Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Managed Pen Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	N. American Life Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	N. American Pen Fd	—	[illegible]
183·0	[illegible]	Far East Life	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Far East Pen Fund	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Intl. Man Life Fund	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Intl. Man Pens Fund	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Intl Equities Life Fund	—	[illegible]
365·6	[illegible]	Intl Equity Pen Fund	—	[illegible]
133·2	119·1	Intl. Currency Life Fd.	—	[illegible]
161·4	[illegible]	Intl. Currency Pen Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	201·4	Deposit Life Fund	—	[illegible]
306·1	289·5	Deposit Pension Fund	—	306·1

National Westminster Bank PLC

Notice to Preference Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of 2.45p per share for the half-year ended 30 June 1985 will be paid on 31 August 1985 to holders of the Cumulative Preference Shares registered in the books of the Company at the close of business on 2 August 1985.

By order of the Board
E B CULLEN, Secretary
41 Lothbury, London EC2P 2BP
16 July 1985

CHARTER CONSOLIDATED P.L.C.

Following reclassification, our share quote now appears under the Industrials section in this paper.

All enquiries to the P.R. Dept. 01-353 1545.

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M & G GROUP PLC
Three Quays, Tower Hill, London, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
206·5	167·2	American Recovery	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	American Gen Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
111·9	91·6	American Smaller Co's Bd	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Australasian Bds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Commodity Bds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Bonds Bond	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Bonds Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Extra Yield Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Far Eastern Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gold Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	High Yield Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Linked Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	International Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan Smaller Co's Bds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Recovery Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Family Bond Acc	—	[illegible]
		Pension Funds		
[illegible]	[illegible]	Personal Pen Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	American	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Building Soc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Linked Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	International	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	PPP	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Recovery	[illegible]	[illegible]

MGM ASSURANCE
MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing. 0903-204631

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
[illegible]	156·5	U.K. Equity Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Special Sits Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Nth American Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pacific Basin Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]

MUNICIPAL LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
99/100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent 0622 679351

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[illegible]	125·5	Acc. Mixed	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Initial Mixed	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Accum. Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Initial Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	Acc. Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	Acc. Munifund	[illegible]	[illegible]
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198·6	186·1	Prulink Man. Fd.	189·1	199·0
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High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
186·1	177·6	Managed Fd	[illegible]	162·1
101·5	100·0	Man Pen Fd	[illegible]	101·5
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COMMODITIES

Sugar producers slammed

THE WORLD'S sugar producing countries are taken to task in the latest issue of the World Sugar Journal for their nonchalance in face of the lowest prices seen this century.

Massive surpluses have built up because of continuous over-production and prices on the free market are now below three cents a pound, barely a quarter of the production costs of efficient growers.

Only three countries, Brazil, *Argentina and the Philippines*, have announced plans to reduce production whereas the rest of the producing countries are maintaining output despite the growing competitiveness of alternative sweeteners such as high fructose corn syrup and aspartame.

LONDON METAL MARKETS
Rudolf Wolff, Report

COPPER: Barely Steady after Firmer. Wire Bars: Off settlement £1,053·50 (£1,056·50). Off midday cash: £1,053-£1,053·50. 3 Months: £1,057-£1,058. After close cash: £1,049-£1,050. 3 months: £1,057-£1,057·50. T/O: 30,100 tonnes. Cathodes: Idle. Off settlement: £1,024 (£1,011). Off midday cash: £1,023-£1,024. 3 months: £1,039-£1,040. After close cash: £1,020-£1,022. 3 months: £1,037-£1,039. T/O: 1,000 tonnes.

TIN: Firmer. Off settlement: £9,071 (£9,035). Off midday cash: £9,070-£9,071. 3 months: £9,070-£9,071. After close cash: £9,120-£9,125. 3 months: £9,120-£9,131. T/O: 1,340 tonnes.

LEAD: Steady. Off settlement £286·50 (£288·25). Off midday cash: £286-£286·50. 3 months: £291-£291·50. After close cash: £289-£290. 3 months: £293·50-£294. T/O: 6,100 tonnes.

ZINC: Firm. Off Settlement £552 (£513). Off Midday Cash £551-£552. 3 Mths £524-£525. Aft Close Cash £553-£555. 3 Mths £5?0-£527. T/O 11,325 Tonnes.

SILVER: Firmer. Midday Cash 437·0p-438·0p. 3 Mths 450·?0-451·0p. Aft Close Cash 444·0p-448·0p. 3 Mths 457·0p-458·0p. T/O 50 Lots of 10,000 ozs each.

ALUMINIUM: Firmer. Off Settlement £735 (£725). Off Midday Cash £734-£735. 3 Mths £754·50-£755·50. Aft Close Cash £757·50-£739·50. 3 Mths £758·50-£759·50. T/O 55,330 Tonnes.

NICKEL: Firm. Off Settlement £3,640 (£3,578). Off Midday Cash £3,638-£3,640. 3 Mths £3,690-£3,695. Aft Close Cash £3,640-£3,650. 3 Mths £3,690-3,695. T/O 978 Tonnes.

LONDON SILVER MARKET: Spot 438·55 (456·15). 3 Mths 451·15 (448·75). 6 Mths 463·50 (461·10). 1 Yr 487·30 (484·90).

PLATINUM: Free-Market £195·75 (£192·45).

LONDON COMMODITY MARKETS

RUBBER: Spot 65-68 (65-68).
SISAL: East African quoted levels. No. 1 Basis $660; No. 3 Long $640. C.I.F., Antwerp prices.
SOYAMEAL: Weak—Aug. £107·50-£110. Oct. £114·50-£114·80. Dec. £119·50-£120. Feb. £125-£125·70. April £126-£127. June £126·50-£127·50. Aug. £128-£130. T/O 26 lots.

COCOA.—F. D. & F. Man (Cocoa) Report (£ per tonne). Closing prices July 1704 (sell)—1700 (buy); Sept. 1684-1682; Dec. 1676-1675; March 1687-1686; May 1702-1701; July 1717-1711; Sept. 1727-1723. Sales: 3,036.

(G A F T A)

LIVE PIGS (pence per kilo): Aug. 99·30. Sep. 103. Oct. 104. Nov. 105·50. Jan. 96·50. Feb. 96·50. Mar. 96·50. Apr. 96·50. May 96·50. June 97. July 97. T/O nil lots.

PIGMEAT (pence per kilo): Aug. 106·70. Oct. 106·70. Nov. 107·20. Feb. 99·20. April 99·60. June 99·50. T/O 35 lots.

POTATOES: Nov. £55·10. Feb. £63·50. April £73·50. May £79·60. T/O 485 lots of 40 tonnes each.

LONDON GRAIN MARKETS

H G C A: Locational ex-farm spot prices—S.W., feed barley 95·00 (up 210); N.E. feed wheat 115·00 (unch). The U.K. monetary co-efficient for the week beginning July 22 based on HGCA calculations using five days' exchange rates is expected to remain unchanged.

BARLEY £ per ton: Sept. 96·90; Nov. 100·55; Jan. 104·15; May 109·85. **WHEAT** "B" £ per ton: Sept. 97·30; Nov. 100·90; Jan. 104·85; March 108; May 111·20. **COFFEE** £ per ton: July 1605; Sept. 1646; Nov. 1686; Jan. 1728; *March* 1755; *May* 1771. Sales: 3,593.

CRUDE OIL

Rotterdam spot prices in $: Arab light 27·00; Dubai 23·60; North Sea (Forties) 26·35; North Sea (Brent) 27·00; Nigerian Bonny medium 26·55; Urals 25·70.

GAS OIL FUTURES

Aug. 217·75-50; Sep. 215·75-13·50. Oct. 217·25-14; Nov. 219·50-17. Dec 221·50-20; Jan 222·50-19. Feb 224-18. Mar 220-10. Apr 217-65. Total volume 710. Premier Man.

GRIMSBY FISH

Grimsby: 30,700 stones. Quayside prices (stone) per 10 stones—cod £55-£68; codlings £38-£54; large haddock £60-£63; medium £55-£56; small £50-£56; large plaice £65-£76; medium £68-£74; small £40-£50; large lemon soles £103-£115; medium £98-£106; small £70-£85; redfish £25-£27.

FREIGHT FUTURES

Further decline in freight rates, with expectation of more to come this week, put heavy pressure on July, closing 17 down at the lows. Forward positions were better supported, with active trade, reports Coley and Harper. Jly 771·0 (down 17), Oct 850·0 (down 6), Jan 892·0 (up 5), Apr 937·0 (up 6), Jly 890·0 (up 7·5), Oct 965·0 (unch), Jan 965·0 (up 15), Apr 965·0 (down 10). Lots traded 279. Baltic freight index 775·5 (down 9).

COVENT GARDEN

FRUIT, per lb: eating apples 12-28, cookers 14-20, bananas 24-26, cherries 30-50, grapes 40-50, strawberries 30-50, water melons 8-10, apricots 25-50, plums 15-50, pears 9-25, gooseberry 12-15, loveberry 20-40, rasberry 50-60, tangerines 20-22, redcurrants 40, blackcurrants 70. Each: avocados 35-45, coconuts 26, grapefruit 8-22, Kiwi 16-18, lemons 4-8, limes 15-16, mangoes 40-60, melons 18-50, nectarines 3-16, peaches 2-10, oranges 4-18, pineapples 50-140, pawpaw 65-70.

VEGETABLES, per lb: aubergines 20-60, Kenya beans 60-65, runner beans 60-00, broad beans 20, cabbage 6-9, calabrese 20-30, carrots 5-9, courgettes 10-12, fennel 30-40, spring greens 8, mangetout 40, mushrooms 40-70, *onions 6-9, picklers 12, peels 12-18,* green peppers 30-40, red 90-52, potatoes 3-6, spinach 15, garlic 65, turnip 10-11, swedes 10, leeks 20, pumpkins 50. Each: artichokes 60-65, cauliflower 20-25, sweetcorn 15-20, marrows 15-24.

SALAD, per lb: beetroot 4-6, Chinese leaf 10-12, parsley 60, tomatoes 10-13, beef 54. Each: celery 10-25, cucumber 10-20, lettuce 6-8, cos and Webb 10-15, iceberg 20-54. Per bunch: spring onion 9-10, radish 15, watercress 16-20, *mustard and cress 7*.

Gold improves

SWISS buying interest as bullion crossed over the $319 level saw the London gold price up by $3·25 yesterday to $319·75 and ounce. At one point *London gold* reached $321·75 an ounce before profit taking set in.

London spot silver was 2·68p higher at 438·55p an ounce.

TOURIST RATES

Australia	1·94½ dollar
Austria	27·50 schilling
Belgium	79·50 francs
Canada	1·85½ dollars
Denmark	14·28 kroner
Finland	8·55 markaa
France	11·99 francs
Germany	3·94 marks
Greece	*175·00 drachmae
Holland	4·44 guilders
Iceland	*55·00 kronur
Ireland	1·251 punt
Israel	1,900 shekel
Italy	*2,565 lire
Japan	330 yen
Malta	*0·6170 pounds
New Zealand	2·85 dollars
Norway	11·50 kroner
Portugal	*221·00 escudos
South Africa	*3·10 rand
Spain	*224·25 pesetas
Sweden	11·58 kronor
Switzerland	3·27 francs
Turkey	650·00 lira
United States	1·381 dollars
Yugoslavia	*365·00 dinars

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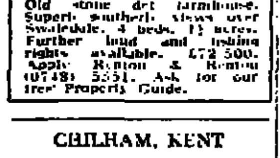

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HOUSES AND ESTATES — DAVID HOPPIT

Space is luxury's keynote

TWO neighbouring houses in one of Esher's prime residential areas demonstrate the dilemma facing Britain's housebuilders. One, most modern when it was built 20 years ago, now looks dated; the other, built this year on traditional lines with mellow bricks and tiles, will still be popular into the 21st century, and beyond.

The house of the future is unlikely to change very much, at least as far as the exterior is concerned. Builders and architects have learned that modernity dates fast — the ultra-modern of today is the old hat of tomorrow.

However, the family which has made it in life requires more than just four walls and a roof over its head. Most important a sign of affluence is space, both inside and out.

Indeed, as Mr Ian Davies, a senior manager of Gascoigne-Pees, one of the Black Horse agencies, commented: "My definition of luxury is wasted space."

Family apartheid

Not that space is ever really wasted. The new house in Surrey's Esher Park Avenue, one of several being built by Octagon Developments in the area, has generous hall and landing, large rooms, a study, utility room and a large breakfast-cum-family room beyond the kitchen.

Mr Roger Wyatt, of Octagon, explained: "In my family we found it necessary to practice a sort of apartheid, and I think most families like to be able to separate adults from children, whatever their age."

In addition to space within the house there is growing emphasis among the so-called "up market" builders on leisure — tennis courts, swimming pools, games rooms, and so on.

At the Esher Park Avenue house the builder inherited a large outdoor swimming pool, and a 1,000 square foot pavilion. Both have been restored and now add to the attraction of the house. But it has a fine price, being offered through Gascoigne-Pees for £350,000.

The same builder and agent also showed me two other current developments nearby, one called Cranford and another Broomfields. The former consists of four houses with interior space of 3,500 square feet, with five bedrooms, dining and living rooms, a den, breakfast room and a family room divided from the main house by a huge kitchen. Prices range between £350,000 and £400,000.

Even larger, and more expensive, are the seven houses at Broomfields, each about 4,000 square feet and standing in plots of above half an acre. A notable feature was the lofty living room, with its baronial fireplace, and large gallery, ideal as a library or television room, approached by a spiral staircase. This fine room was lit by a huge arched window.

A home with leisure facilities in the grounds is possible even if installation and running costs are too high for one family. At East Croydon there are 88 families to share the cost of the swimming pool, gymnasium, sauna and gardens. Flats cost between £43,000 and £63,000.

A new house of traditional design built with enough space for the family to escape from one another, plus a swimming pool and huge pavilion. Such space in Esher, Surrey, costs around £350,000.

Most of the houses have garden walls built of reclaimed bricks from Cheshire, giving the estate a feel of instant maturity. Prices range from £425,000 to £550,000.

Not everyone can aspire to such gracious living, of course, but some builders are finding ways to provide a quality of life that is not far short of that of millionaires at a more modest price.

Owners of flats at **Steep Hill**, a few minutes walk from East Croydon station (15 minutes from Victoria) can walk across landscaped gardens to their own private swimming pool, heated to 85 degrees for six months of the year.

Mr Peter Nesbitt, of Fairbriar Homes, the builder, first had his idea of shared luxuries when he took over an old school in Purley, which included a 100-year-old swimming pool. The pool became a focal point of the development of 336 units, and a sauna and solarium were added.

The Briars, as the Purley development is called, has units ranging in size from bedsits, priced at £31,000, up to five bedroom detached houses. Residents pay a total of £130 a year for maintenance and so on.

Pooling the assets

Buyers of the 88 one- and two-bedroom flats at Steep Hill each pay an annual charge of about £70 for the running of the swimming pool which cost £28,000 to install and landscape. Total maintenance charges, which include gardens, the saunas, gymnasiums, insurance and exterior decoration, average around £250 a year. In addition buyers are given a year's free membership of the Badger Protection Society, to encourage the preservation of the badger sets that share the grounds.

"We found that residents sharing a communal garden are reluctant to sit out in it; however, given a focal point such as a swimming pool they do, even if they are not swimmers," said Mr Nesbitt.

One bedroom flats at Steep Hill start at £43,000, while the larger two-bedroom units, with balconies, rise to about £63,000.

Down in **Chichester** there is another development with shared facilities mentioned earlier this year. Seaward Homes has built a large indoor swimming pool and is about to construct a tennis court for residents at its Summerdale development.

A total of just over 40 homes is being built, ranging from a studio flat at £28,500 to £127,500 for a five-bedroom detached house.

Fairbriar Homes reports a growing number of sales of studios and small flats to newly divorced men and women, many accustomed to a life-style it would be impossible to maintain when the matrimonial home has to be divided. Developments with amenities such as those mentioned above are therefore especially attractive.

Penthouse palaces

If money is no object then one might consider **Hampstead**, where Bovis is building a development called Firecrest on a four acre site between West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue. A total of 18 detached houses and 24 flats is under construction, and a show house is now open.

These properties are not traditional in design, though they include many traditional features, and they are certainly dramatic, with high-domed windows and bold conservatories for the ground-floor flats.

The units are large, even the smallest flat measuring more than 1,600 square feet. Penthouses, with nearly 2,500 square feet of living space, have roof terraces.

The houses, two with more than 5,000 square feet of space, plus a private indoor swimming pool and sauna complex, and garden, all sport a "barrel vault" at the roof apex. These give light to the halls and landings.

Prices at Firecrest range between £500,000 and £1,000,000. Anscombe and Ringland are the agents.

If that is too much but a London home with shared gardens and tennis court is essential, John D. Wood is offering a three bedroom top floor flat at 34 Cadogan Place, on the Chelsea/Belgravia border, for £110,000.

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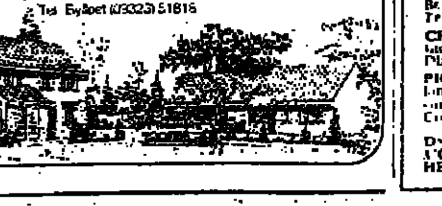

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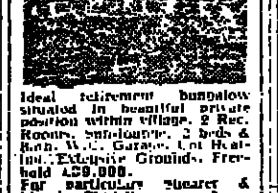

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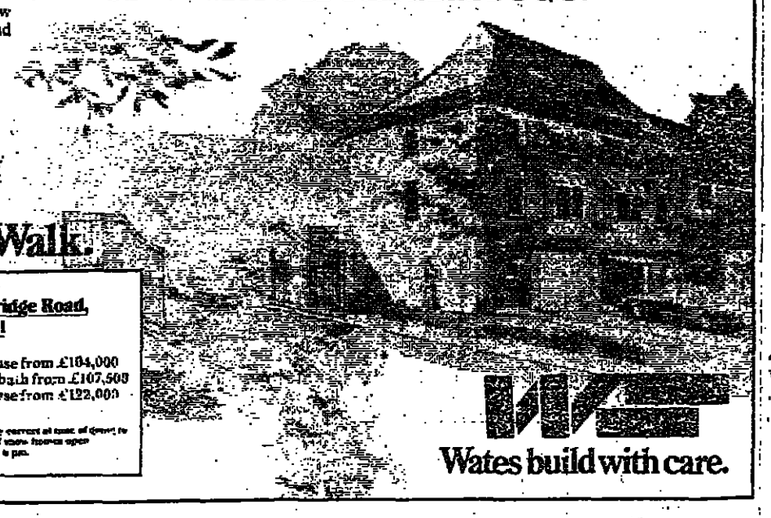

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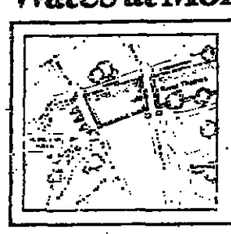

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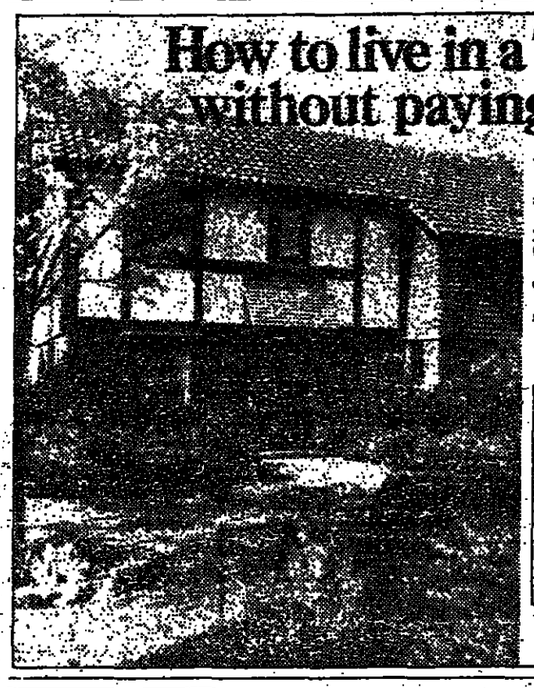

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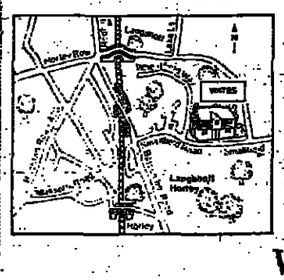

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Sport ... ON 4 PAGES

HINAULT LOSES TIME BUT KEEPS LEAD

By PHIL LIGGETT in Luz-Ardiden

BERNARD HINAULT, 30, survived his most difficult day in the Tour de France yesterday, and though he lost time in the 130-mile Pyrenean stage between Toulouse and Luz-Ardiden, he kept his leader's yellow jersey.

Hinault fought to the limit of his resources on the three Pyrenean giants of the Col d'Aspin (4,885ft), Col du Tourmalet (6,835ft), and the finish to Luz Ardiden (5,643ft), where he came in an exhausted 18th, more than four minutes behind Pedro Delgado, from Spain.

His main concern was not the lively Delgado, who had gone ahead alone on the final climb, but the attack by Stephen Roche, of Ireland, and Hinault's team mate, Greg Lemond.

Both riders gained time on Hinault, but this morning he holds a 2 min 25 sec. lead over Lemond, and five minutes on Roche.

"I think Hinault will win the Tour now," said Roche after he had finished 12th and near the back of the group who had tried to rid themselves finally of an injured leader who has stubbornly refused to accept defeat.

Into Pyrenees

On the Col d'Aspin — the entry to the Pyrenees—Jose del Ramo, from Spain, led Rafael Acevedo (Colombia) and Robert Millar over the top. But by the base of the 12-mile climb of the Tourmalet his team-mate Pello Ruiz-Cabestany had taken command with a four-minute lead over the main contenders.

By the top of the highest point of the Tour, Ruiz-Cabestany still remained 1 min 18 sec ahead of Delgado, who is another team mate; Roche and Lemond being on the attack with Hinault's group two minutes behind.

Hinault said afterwards: "I was not giving my all on the climb because I was having trouble breathing, and my doctors said it was a reaction from the crash. I wanted to save something for the descent."

Delgado joined Ruiz-Cabestany on the descent of the Tourmalet, then was forced into the lead alone as the final climb started when his team-mate succumbed to the gradients and fell back at an alarming rate to finish 45th.

Delgado's performance to win by 25 seconds from the brilliant Columbia climber Luis Herrera was overshadowed by the bitter battle for the final winner's prize of £20,000 in Paris. Hinault struggled to keep Lemond and Roche in his sights during the final 10 miles.

Perhaps the most amazing performance came from Ireland's Sean Kelly, who joined the attacking group by leaving Hinault's side in the last five miles to join a small bunch who included Lemond. Kelly then won the sprint for fourth place to complete a magnificent performance.

Kelly, fifth last year, is now set to finish fourth or better, and at the same time win the race on points and take the green jersey. Kelly gained two seconds over everyone except Lemond with his sprint finish.

Lemond's attack

After finishing, Lemond, the young American, was involved in a heated discussion with his team manager because he attacked Hinault when in difficulty. Lemond could win the race but he is paying the price of being employed by a French team.

Lemond said: "I had my chance to win the Tour today, and my team stopped me."

The Women's Tour de France again benefitted Maria Canins, of Italy, who won yesterday by more than nine minutes. Judith Painter climbed to ninth overall when she finished ninth on the stage from St. Marie de Campan

Pedro Delgado, of Spain, celebrates his victory in yesterday's 17th stage.

GIRLS BOOST NORTH EAST

By ROB McLEAN

CHURCH H.S., Newcastle, are giving the North East, without a great tradition in schools' tennis, a boost at Queen's Club, West Kensington, in the Barclays Bank Super Savers Club British Schools Championship.

Four of their girls — Jill Storey and Susie Jenkins, and their younger sisters, Caroline and Gillian respectively — have progressed o the third round of the Under-18 and Under-16 singles.

Jill Storey, the Northumberland senior champion who is seeded second in the 18 event, offers the best hope of a title.

One girls' school who will not forget this year's championships in a hurry are St Leonard's, Mayfield, Sussex, whose minibus broke down on the way to Queen's Club, resulting in four of their competitors being scratched.

YATMON CUP (girls' 18)—2nd rd: E. Bishop bt C. Neaves 6-0, 6-0; M. bt G. Bealby 6-0, 6-1; R. Rutter bt A. Bromet bt K. Hobbs 6-0, 6-1; S. Norval Carmichael 6-0, 6-1; P. Byam bt K. Stringer 6-1, 6-2.

C. Crawshay-Williams bt P. Payne 6-1, 6-3; S. Jessop bt L. Dowson 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; A. Ramchandani bt K. Pike 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; L. Banks bt L. Nixson 7-6, 6-3; J. Storey bt R. Dale 6-0, 6-0.

WATT BOWL (girls' 16)—1st rd: C. Vohmann bt R. Impey 6-2, 7-6; K. Pearson bt A. McCready 0-6, 6-4, 6-4; S. Erskine bt M. White 6-1, 6-1; L. Dickinson bt N. Ward 6-1, 6-1; S. Bentley bt J. Osman 6-4, 6-4; T. Harrison bt C. Reynolds 6-4, 3-6, 6-1.

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Dickinson bt T. Evans 6-2, 6-0; Harrison bt Bentley 6-1, 6-3; S. Masterton bt J. Winsworth 6-3, 6-3; E. Turner bt R. Graham 6-0, 6-0; C. Harris bt A. Kingsley 7-6, 6-2; A. Scrivener bt C. Lippa 6-3, 6-3.

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Squash Rackets

CHANGE TO INTER CITY LINE

By A Special Correspondent

THE Temple Meads railway terminus at Bristol is the unorthodox new venue for next season's leading squash event in Britain in November.

The event, formerly the British Closed, has been renamed the Inter City National Championships in a remarkable change of image which includes a record prize fund of £30,000, plus a year's free rail travel for the winners.

That should satisfy even those leading players who threatened a strike just before last year's championships because they regarded £13,000 as too little — although this year's improvements already had been planned. The men's champion will win £2,500 and the women's champion £2,000.

For the first time in its seven-year history, the event is leaving Abbeydale Park Club, near Sheffield, where the famous centre court had been a prototype both for Wembley Squash Centre and for Karachi.

Between platforms

Instead, a court with four transparent walls will be used for the first time at the National Championships and erected between platforms at the Brunel terminus which, fortunately for the safety of the Perspex construction and the 1,000 spectators, is no longer used as a station.

Rounds before the quarter finals will be played at the Redwood Lodge Club near Bristol.

Eleven events, including age group and student competitions and the intercity challenge for club players which last year attracted more than 6,000 entries, are now part of the Championships, complete revamping.

Lawn Tennis

WILANDER TOO GOOD FOR JAITE

Mats Wilander, of Sweden, the top seed, combined a variety of groundstrokes with aggressive net play to defeat Martin Jaite, of Argentina 6-2, 6-4 and win the U.S. Pro Tennis Championship title, at Brookline, Massachussets.

Wilander, 24, won five consecutive games in the first set thanks to a blazing serve and well-timed advances to net.

The two players battled evenly throughout the second set, both gaining one break of serve, before Wilander held serve for 5-4 and broke to 30 to win the tournament.

U.S. PRO CH'SHIP (Brookline).—Singles, final: M. Wilander (Sweden) bt M. Jaite (Argentina) 6-2, 6-4. Doubles final: L. Pimek (Czechoslovakia) & S. Zivojinovic (Yugoslavia) bt P. McNamara & P. McNamee (Australia) 2-6, 6-4, 7-6.

Yachting—One Ton Cup

Valiant Jade dogs Rubin, the leader

By TONY FAIRCHILD

WITH a good breeze throughout the third, middle-distance race of the One Ton Cup which ended at Poole, yesterday, was a triumph for the British, despite a French victory.

First to complete the 180-mile course, including two cross-Channel legs, was Espace du Desir, steered by Ed Baird, the American ace, the leader most of the way.

But the British yachts, Cifraline 3, Jade and Phoenix were second, third and fourth respectively and with Panda, 10th to finish, dominate also the overall positions—subject to protest.

Jade, despite her holing in the first race, is second on points; Panda and Cifraline share fourth place and Phoenix, even with the burden of a 50 per cent. second-race penalty, is still a provisional sixth.

The details

PROVISIONAL RESULTS.—3rd race (180m): Espace du Desir (France) 23h 58m 51s. 1; Cifraline 3 (M. Peacock, G.B.) 25-45-46, 2; Jade (Mr & Mrs L. Woodell, G.B.) 25-46-50, 3; Phoenix (L. Bankson & G. Walker, G.B.) 25-47-16, 4; Yeoman (Canada) 25-50-26, 5; Fiere Lady (France) 25-52-52, 6. Other British: Panda (P. Whipp) 10; Fever (D. Diehl) 19.

Overall (subject to protest): Rubin (W. Germany) 111pts, 1; Jade 108, 2; Exador (N.Z.) 106, 3; Panda, Cifraline 101·5, equal 4; Phoenix 100·5, 6.

Dedicated preparation

It was an excellent result from a race acclaimed by the crews of the 36 starters from 16 countries, and, for the British, the positions changed little during the race, just reward for dedicated pre-season preparation.

The outcome delighted the hard-pressed race committee of the Royal Thames, who seemingly could have selected no better course for the third race of the series. These continue tomorrow after today's rest day.

The course gave a reach to St Catherine's on the southern side of the Isle of Wight, a run to a mark off Selsey Bill and a beat to Pierre Noir, on the French coast.

Then there was a spinnaker reach back to within six miles of the Needles Fairway and a further beat across Poole Bay to the finish which Espace reached shortly before one o'clock yesterday afternoon, little more than six minutes ahead of Mike Peacock's Cifraline, second overall in last year's One Ton Cup.

Broke pole

With the winner home in some 25½ hours, it was a quick race in a breeze apparently seldom more than fresh and, indeed, as one jubilant crew commented: "It was one of the better offshore races I have done."

None of the British yachts suffered serious damage, though Larry Woodell's Jade broke a spinnaker pole, two sheets and two guys yet is ready for the next race, a 27-mile in shore contest.

The British crews will be well aware of the menacing overall leadership of the West German, Rubin, and the New Zealander, Exador, third on points, who will both compete in the Admiral's Cup.

Hockey

ENGLAND LET CHANCES GO

ENGLAND'S hockey team drew 1-1 with New South Wales at Tamworth, Australia yesterday.

According to Colin Whalley, England's team manager, his side failed to exploit many scoring chances.

England opened the match at a brisk pace and went ahead after 12 minutes when winger, Martyn Grimley, scored.

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Twelve cameras will monitor the 2·932-mile Grand Prix circuit, with each camera coupled to its own monitor and video recorder positioned in the race-control office.

Round Britain Race

'LORIENT' SPRINGS SURPRISE

By DAVID PELLY

A SPARKLING performance by the French catamaran Macallan — Festival de Lorient in the third leg of the City of Plymouth Round Britain Race has brought her up to fourth place overall and first in class V by a huge margin.

Pierre le Maout and Antoine Pouliquen sailed their 40 foot catamaran into Lerwick Harbour at 11.26 a.m. yesterday, just beating the 55 foot trimaran Marlow Ropes over the finishing line. The way the two young Frenchmen have managed to challenge much larger boats is one of the big surprises of this race.

There were red faces aboard the 80 foot catamaran British Airways when she reached Lerwick yesterday. Robin Knox-Johnson and Billy King-Harman found out that both their dagger-boards had snapped and admitted that it might have happened unnoticed on the previous leg.

British Airways had the fastets time in the fleet from Cork to Barra, which was mainly down wind. She also did well for most of the third leg, reaching Muckle Flugga alongside both Macallan Festival de Lorient and Marlow Ropes, but when she came onto the wind for Lerwick she started to go sideways like a greased tea tray.

Sponsors British Airways were last night rushing spare dogger-boards to the Shetlands but in the private race between the "plane" (BA) and the "train" (Red Star Night Star) the latter is winning hands down at the moment.

Outstanding boats

This race is tending to throw up one or two outstanding boats in each class, except classes I and III which are not competitive. BCA-Paragon and Apricot are way ahead in class II and the American 45 foot catarmaran Sebago, sailed by alter Greene and Phil Steggall, is the only finisher so far in class IV.

Macallan Festival de Lorient is murdering class V and Yacht Paint Centre, sailed by Terry Cooke and Robert Freemantle, looks set to do the same to class VI.

EASY FOR PORTER

Ian Porter, the world champion, led throughout to win the seconds points race of the Wayfarer National Championships in strong winds over the long Olympic course at Looe, Cornwall.

WAYFARER NAT'L CH'SHIPS (Looe, Cornwall).—Scavenger (I. Porter, Hayling Isl) 1; Animal House (J. Redman, Portishead) 2; Senta (T. Rose, Bosham) 3.

Rifle Shooting

Rosling overall master

By LESLIE HOWCROFT

DICK ROSLING, the 1972 Queen's Prize-winner, won the Match Rifle Championship and Hopton Challenge Cup at Bisley, yesterday, when he proved the sole shot to master a series of tricky wind changes in the final event at 1,200 yards.

The Hopton, based on seven events over four days, at ranges of 900 to 1,200 yards, is one of the stiffest Bisley tests and, at the start of the day, it seemed a predictable tussle between John de Havilland, title holder for three of the last four years, and Jim McAllister, a Scot, who had been challenging strongly throughout.

When they went into the Albert Cup event shot at the three longest ranges, the two were equal with 894 each, followed closely by another Scot, Mike Baillie-Hamilton, with 891; and Rosling—on 888. The result was still in doubt after the 1,000 and 1,100-yard sections of the Albert. Then the wind caused problems, with most scores dropping well below 60 out of 75.

Rosling produced 66 (the best of the section), giving him the winning total. John Bloomfield scored 63 to overtake McAllister, who had only 55, but not de Havilland who managed 58, to hold second place.

Bloomfield and de Havilland both finished with a total of 947 and, under the tie rules, Bloomfield won third prize because his total in the 1,200-yard event was better than McAllister's.

LAWN TENNIS

WASHINGTON CLASSIC.—1st Rd: F. Luna (Spain) bt S. Shaw (GB) 6-2, 6-1; H. Schwaier (W. Germany) bt C. Panatta (Italy) 7-5, 6-1; V. Pecci (Paraguay) bt A. Gonzabal (Argentina) 6-4, 6-0; P. Arraya (Peru) bt R. Ycaza (Ecuador) 6-2, 6-0; J. Arrese (Spain) bt P. Slozil (Czechoslovakia) 7-5, 6-4; F. Cancellotti (Italy) bt J. Lopez-Maeso (Spain) 7-5, 0-6, 7-6; J. Hlasek (Switzerland) bt J. Higueras (Spain) 6-2, 6-2; M. Ingaramo (Argentina) bt R. Acuna (Chile) 6-3, 6-2.

BASTED GRAND PRIX (Sweden).—2nd Rd: J. Svensson (Sweden) bt M. Doyle (Ireland) 6-3, 6-3—E. Sanchez (Spain) bt A. Jarryd (Sweden) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2—D. Keretic (West Germany) bt B. Drewett (Australia) 6-7, 7-5, 6-3.

NEWPORT WOMEN'S T'MENT. (Rhode Island). 1st Rd: A. Villagran (Argentina) bt L. Thompson (US) 7-5, 7-5; K. Jordan (US) bt J. Forman (US) 6-1, 6-0; B. Cordwell (US) bt T. Morhizuki (US) 6-3, 6-4; L. Gates (US) bt M. Quinlan (US) 6-1, 6-3; E. Pfaff (West Germany) bt M. Mesker (Holland) 6-2, 6-1; J. Mundell (South Africa) bt K. Steinmetz (US) 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; W. White (US) bt L. Spain-Short (US) 6-1, 6-1; P. Shriver (US) bt H. Ludloff (US) 6-1, 6-2.

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Third Test—Fifth Day

ROBINSON AND GOOCH ENSURE QUIET FINISH

By MICHAEL CAREY at Trent Bridge

THE third Cornhill Test moved unspectacularly to a draw at Trent Bridge yesterday, with England making 196 for the loss of Gooch and Gower from 68 overs and mercifully avoiding early lapses, even though Australia — particularly Lawson — bowled well.

As it happened, the quicker bowlers rather than Holland's leg-spin provided what occasional problems there were, mainly through variations in bounce, but Robinson and Gooch played well, and in doing so removed the possibility of an embarrassing struggle for the later batsmen.

They were helped by a delay of 75 minutes following overnight rain, though, afterwards, Lawson ran in perhaps as convincingly as at any time in the series so far, often generating genuine pace with the new ball on this sluggish pitch.

McDermott broke through in the 28th over, however, defeating an attempted hook by Gooch with his extra bounce. Then Gowler, whose memorable first innings (166) earned him the

The scoreboard

ENGLAND.—First Innings 456 (D. I. Gower 166, M. W. Gatting 74, G. A. Gooch 70, Lawson 5-103).

Second Innings

G. A. Gooch, c Ritchie, b McDermott	48
R. T. Robinson, not out	77
*D. I. Gower c Phillips, b McDermott	17
M. W. Gatting, not out	35
Extras (b 1, lb 16, nb 2)	19
Total (2 wkts)	196

Fall of wickets: 1-79, 2-107.

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Lawson	13	4	32	0
McDermott	16	2	42	2
Holland	28	9	69	0
O'Donnell	10	2	26	0
Ritchie	1	0	10	0

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings 539 (G. M. Wood 172, G. M. Ritchie 146).

Umpires: D. J. Constant & A. M. T. Whitehead.

1st Test.—Headingley: England won by 5 wkts.
2nd Test.—Lord's: Australia won by 4 wkts.
4th Test.—Old Trafford, Aug. 1-6.
5th Test.—Edgbaston, Aug. 15-20.
6th Test.—The Oval, Aug. 29-Sept. 3.

England v Australia

Man of the Match award from Tom Graveney, was caught behind driving at a wide one.

Robinson, however, took the opportunity to spend time in the middle; he remained unbeaten with 77 and needed only two moments of luck early on with a leading edge that flew to safety and then, when a beamer from Mc Dermott hit a finger but inflicted no serious damage.

Breathing space

Now, with the series level at the halfway stage, the selectors have more breathing space than usual to mull over their options before the fourth Test, which starts at Old Trafford on Aug. 1.

Much has been made of their plans to consider potential fast bowling candidates, like Lawrence of Gloucestershire, and Thomas, of Glamorgan, though any changes in this department, if based on this game, would have to be made on evidence that was rather inconclusive.

No one could have legislated for Allott's illness, which kept him out of the attack for a day, or the injury to the newcomer, Sidebottom who, the selectors stress, was fully fit when he reported for duty.

Nor, especially, could any selector's plans for Trent Bridge have anticipated such a slow pitch on which, overall, Edmonds and Emburey—unsurprisingly—were England's most consistent bowlers, with 121 overs between them for 284 runs, an admirable display of craftsmanship.

Questions to answer

Something similar may be required from them if Old Trafford is true to character but the selectors have several questions to answer about current and past members of the seam bowling section, even before they decide whether to look elsewhere.

Do they, for instance, want another look at Sidebottom, who was not entirely unsuccessful before his injury? If so, and if Foster is fit, what happens to Agnew? He was omitted here because of the pitch's lack of pace which, if that is to be the yardstick, hardly makes him a starter for Manchester.

If the selectors look outside the camp, they may have noted that Dilley, though in and out of the Kent side, has been bowling by all accounts as fast as ever lately: or remember Cowans's past contributions rather than plump for inexperience at this stage.

The batting, I suspect, will remain unchanged, although it is worth recalling that, after being placed at 558 for two on the second day, it was England who finished up as the only side who might have lost.

Graham Gooch hooks a ball from McDermott. The slips are Border and (right) Boon.

Tim Robinson turns a lifter from McDermott to the on side.

Australian view

MORE 'BITE' NEEDED BY BOWLERS

By ALAN SHIELL

ENGLAND will and Australia can be expected to reinforce their bowling in an attempt to produce a result in the fourth Test at Old Trafford from Aug. 1.

The drawn third Test on an inordinately slow Trent Bridge strip, proved what was known at the start of this Ashes series.

England need a new fast bowler to inject more hostility into their attack and to ease the burden on Ian Botham while Australia require a fifth bowler, preferably another spinner, if Old Trafford lives up to its reputation for being a slow turner.

Both teams are stronger in batting than bowling and more draws are likely in the remaining three Tests if, as expected, the wickets at Old Trafford, Edgbaston and the Oval are as sluggish as that at Trent Bridge.

Rain factor

Allan Border, the Australian captain, said last night: "The wicket was too good for batting to produce a result."

David Gower, the England captain, said: "If the batting plays to its full potential on both sides, we are looking at draws."

Australia will consider including left-arm orthodox spinner, Murray Bennett or off-spinner, Greg Matthews, instead of No. 6 batsman David Boon, at Old Trafford.

They are, however, short of match practice—Bennett five for 278 off 111 overs and Matthews 12 for 556 off 102·2 overs—through not having played in the first three Tests and because matches, between the Tests, were interrupted or ruined by rain.

For all his consistency in the county games, Boon will be hard pressed to hold his Test place after having scored only 56 runs in his first five innings of this series.

Tomlins settles in for 58

By DAVID GREEN at Lord's

THE game between Middlesex and Somerset at Lord's moribund since Vic Marks decided to bat on after Somerset had reached 300 on Monday evening, was finally killed off by the weather yesterday.

Heavy overnight rain delayed the start and cut 22 overs from the day's quota. Thereafter any faint hope of a result vanished

Middlesex v Somerset

as Somerset's attack, without Garner, was unlikely to embarrass Middlesex on a placid pitch.

Middlesex finished 189 runs on at 225 for five, Keith Tomlins making 58 and Clive Radley an unbeaten 52.

Barlow and Slack, resuming the Middlesex second innings, 25 behind at 15 for no wickets, started briskly against Davis and Dredge. They had scored 36 in six overs when Slack nicked Dredge to the wicketkeeper.

Booth prominent

Richards came on after lunch, bowling seam up, and Barlow, who had been employing a lofted square cut to some profit, soon steered him to backward point where Booth took a chest-high catch.

Tomlins, neat and orthodox, played some pleasant strokes while Butcher cut and drove eagerly until bowled through a wild swing at Marks. Booth, the young slow left-armer, now replaced Richards at the Nursery End.

MIDDLESEX.—First Innings: 309 (100 overs 276-8) (G. D. Barlow 132, Booth 4-83).

Second Innings

G. D. Barlow, c Booth, b Richards	32
W. N. Slack, c Gard, b Dredge	20
K. P. Tomlins, st Gard, b Booth	58
R. O. Butcher, b Marks	28
C. T. Radley, not out	52
J. D. Carr, c Popplewell, b Harden	8
J. F. Sykes, not out	0
Extras (b 6, lb 10, w 1, nb 4)	21
Total (5 wkts dec)	225

Fall of wickets: 1-49, 2-89, 3-134, 4-179, 5-225.

Bowling: Dredge 12-4-40-1, Davis 9-1-44-0, Richards 14-3-54-1, Marks 22-9-49-1, Booth 32-8-38-1, Harden 4-3-1-4-1.

SOMERSET.—First Innings 345 (97.4 overs) (I. V. A. Richards 135).

Middx 7 pts, Somerset 7.

Umpires: B. Dudleston & M. J. Kitchen.

Brave Hampshire held to draw

By D. J. RUTNAGUR at Portsmouth

A DARING gamble by Hampshire in offering Worcestershire 56 overs to score 218, took them very close yesterday to snatching a victory that would have restored them to the top of the Britannic Assurance Championship table.

Having initially been under heavy threat from David Smith, who scored a vigorous 87, Hampshire took Worcestershire's seventh wicket in the 15th over of the last hour, but then found the way barred by Rhodes, the young wicketkeeper, and Newport.

Hampshire, themselves in a vulnerable position at the start of the day—55 for three—suf-

Hants v Worcester

fered another reverse before achieving stability. At 85, Robin Smith dragged the ball on to his stumps in trying to force Newport to the off.

Paul Terry, with a patient 76 lasting 195 minutes, and Nicholas, who made a rapid 73 from 92 balls, wrested the initiative from Worcestershire. They put on 123 for the fifth wicket.

Worcestershire lost their openers for only 32. Patel went in first with Curtis but he was out quickly, adjudged caught at the wicket off James, who bowled despite a fracture in the wrist.

Then Smith and Neale put on 77 from 22 overs, although Neale's contribution was meagre, with many of his better shots going directly to fieldsmen. The pitch was unreliable yet Smith bent the bowling to his will.

The towering left-hander, even early in his innings, had the measure of Marshall.

The scoreboard

HAMPSHIRE.—First Innings 255 (86 overs) (C. L. Smith 69, Newport 5-89).

Second Innings

V. P. Terry, b Newport	76
C. L. Smith, c Newport, b Radford	10
R. J. Maru, b Radford	0
J. J. E. Hardy, c Illingworth, b Radford	0
R. A. Smith, b Newport	23
*M. C. J. Nicholas, not out	73
M. D. Marshall, c Rhodes, b Newport	0
T. M. Tremlett, not out	4
Extras (b3, lb1, nb, 14)	20
Total (6 wkts dec.)	211

Fall of wickets: 1-31, 2-32, 3-33, 4-85, 5-206, 6-206.

Bowling: Ellcock 14-0-57-0, Radford 18-1-67-3, Newport 14-2-54-3, Illingworth 10-3-27-0.

WORCESTERSHIRE.—First Innings 249 (100 overs 248-9) (D. M. Smith 112, M. D. Marshall 7-59).

SECOND INNINGS

T. S. Curtis c and b Maru	8
D. N. Patel c Parks, b James	0
D. M. Smith c Parks, b Marshall	87
*P. A. Neale b Marshall	20
D. B. d'Oliveira c R. A. Smith b Maru	31
M. J. Weston c Parks, b Maru	10
†S. J. Rhodes not out	6
N. V. Radford c Terry, b Maru	0
P. J. Newport not out	0
Extras (lb 4)	4
Total (7 wkts)	166

Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-32, 3-109, 4-124, 5-138, 6-161, 7-161.

Bowling: Marshall 14-7-29-2, James 5-1-13-1, Connor 3-1-5-0, Maru 18-5-52-4, Tremlett 9-2-27-0, C. L. Smith 6-0-34-0.

HANTS 7pts WORCS 6pts

Umpires: H. D. Bird and D. R. Shepherd.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	Bonus pts Bt	Bonus pts Bl	Pts	Up or down
1—Gloucestershire (17)	14	6	1	7	33	49	178	—
2—Middlesex (5)	14	5	2	7	33	54	163	—
3—Hampshire (15)	14	5	0	9	35	51	166	—
4—Kent (5)	15	4	5	6	28	44	136	+1
5—Surrey (8)	14	3	4	7	39	42	129	+1
6—Nottinghamshire (2)	15	3	1	9	38	38	124	−2
7—Northamptonshire (11)	14	3	3	8	31	32	111	—
8—Warwickshire (9)	15	2	5	8	35	41	106	—
9—Lancashire (16)	14	2	6	6	28	41	101	—
10—Leicestershire (4)	14	2	0	12	31	34	97	+7
11—Derbyshire (11)	13	2	5	6	26	38	96	−1
12—Essex (1)	15	2	3	9	27	36	95	—
13—Sussex (6)	12	2	1	9	27	33	92	−2
14—Glamorgan (13)	14	2	3	9	30	28	90	−1
15—Somerset (7)	13	1	4	8	39	31	86	−1
16—Worcestershire (10)	12	1	3	8	32	29	85	−2
17—Yorkshire (14)	13	1	3	8	35	31	80	−1

Worcs total includes 8pts for a drawn match in which scores finished level. 1984 positions in brackets.

Kent in a hurry as Benson scores 97

By REX ALSTON at Maidstone

KENT had a good win over Northamptonshire at The Mote by four wickets with 2·3 overs to spare. Set to make 280 at approximately three runs per over, they started well with Benson's 97, but had a hiccough in the middle.

However, Aslett and Baptiste, with swift running and several feverish sprints, set up the win. Baptiste finished the game by hitting his West Indian compatriot Harper for a mid-wicket six.

Rain in the night delayed the start by 20 minutes and Kent soon finished off the Northants innings, Ellison taking the last

Kent v Northants

two wickets, to give him a total of 11 in the match.

Kent had plenty of time to make the runs, and though they soon lost Hinks, Benson and Taylor had a partnership of 116, which was the basis of Kent's victory. Benson was the dominant partner, playing some lovely off-drives and neat deflections.

He seemed to lose concentration as he approached what would have been his fourth century of the season and hit across what was to him a leg-break from Williams. He had batted for 224 minutes and had hit nine boundaries.

Meanwhile, he had lost Taylor, who had played a strange innings for such a talented player, spending an hour over a few singles, then, hitting four consecutive fours and then retiring into his shell again. A little more consistency from him and Kent would have not had to rush for victory.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE — First Innings 235 (70·3 overs) (R. A. Harper 127, Ellison 7-87).

Second Innings

*G. Cook, c Baptiste, b Ellison	16
W. Larkins, b Underwood	67
R. J. Boyd-Moss, c Benson, b Baptiste	63
R. G. Williams, c Taylor, b Ellison	6
R. J. Bailey, c Knott, b Cowdrey	44
D. J. Capel, c Underwood, b Penn	10
D. J. Wild, c Benson, b Cowdrey	7
R. A. Harper, c Taylor, b Ellison	18
†D. Ripley, lbw b Cowdrey	0
N. A. Mallender, not out	2
B. J. Griffiths, c Penn, b Ellison	0
Extras (b 1, lb 6, w 2, nb 5)	14
Total	247

Fall of wickets: 1-55, 2-129, 3-147, 4-186, 5-216, 6-223, 7-224, 8-224, 9-247.

Bowling: Ellison 24-4-6-77-4, Baptiste 21-6-68-1, Underwood 24-11-48-1, Penn 12-2-42-1, Cowdrey 4-0-5-3.

Umpires: J. W. Holder & J. W. White.

KENT.—First Innings 225 (66·1 overs) (C. S. Cowdrey 67, C. Penn 50, Griffiths 6-76).

Second Innings

M. R. Benson, b Williams	97
S. G. Hinks, b Griffiths	14
N. R. Taylor, lbw, b Harper	43
D. G. Aslett, run out	41
*C. S. Cowdrey, c Larkins, b Williams	7
E. A. F. Baptiste, not out	58
R. M. Ellison, run out	3
G. W. Johnson, not out	2
Extras (b 6, lb 3, nb 5)	16
Total (6 wkts)	281

Fall of wickets: 1-34, 2-150, 3-170, 4-194, 5-256, 6-258.

Bowling: Griffiths 14-4-53-1, Capel 13-3-38-0, Harper 38-3-6-108-1, Larkins 2-0-4-0, Wild 4-1-7-0, Williams 19-3-61-2.

KENT 22pts NORTHANTS 7.

Umpires: J. H. Harris & K. E. Palmer.

Lloyds hits first 100 for Gloucester

By DOUG IBBOTSON at Southend

A CENTURY for Jeremy Lloyds—his first since joining Gloucestershire from Somerset—was one of the few noteworthy ventures of yesterday's drawn game with Essex at Southend.

Lloyds batted for 216 minutes, struck 16 fours and enjoyed the day more than most.

A loss of 15 overs during a cool and showery morning adversely conditioned any ambitions Gloucestershire may have entertained towards erasing arrears of 39 runs and establishing a counter-challenge.

Indeed by the time the sun appeared with the scores level progress and attitudes had

Essex v Gloucester

become so funereal that a kestrel hovering above mid-wicket could be forgiven for assuming that someone or something had expired.

Pringle stirred some hint of life from a moribund wicket by getting the occasional delivery to deviate and lift—a feat which so surprised Russell that he sliced a catch to McEwan at *second slip off Lever at first*.

Athey then joined Lloyds in a leisurely partnership of 106 before he too fell to Pringle, caught off bat and pad at short leg. Lloyds meanwhile taunting Lever in particular with fours to third man and fine leg edged towards his hundred.

As Gloucestershire batted out time it remained only for Bainbridge to reach 1,000 runs for the season and Topley, *a tidy* seam bowler, to emerge from his first Championship match with a commendable 3-77.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE. — First Innings 270 (93.4 overs) (C. W. Athey 76, Lever 5-82).

Second Innings

A. J. Wright, c East, b Phillip	23
J. W. Lloyds, c East, b Topley	101
*R. C. Russell, c McEwan, b Pringle	6
C. W. J. Athey, c Hardy, b Pringle	41
P. Bainbridge, not out	57
B. F. Davison, lbw b Topley	12
K. M. Curran, b Topley	6
D. V. Lawrence, not out	1
Extras (lb 2, w 2)	4
Total (6 wkts dec.)	250

Fall of wickets: 1-34, 2-47, 3-153, 4-196, 5-220, 6-248.

Bowling: Lever 25-5-63-0; Phillip 13-2-50-1; Acfield 20-5-67-0, Pringle 16-7-28-2; Topley 15-5-34-3.

Essex.—First Innings 330 (100 overs 305-7), (D. E. East 131, K. W. R. Fletcher 78 not, Graveney 4-131).

Essex 8pts, Glos 6.

Umpires: B. J. Meyer & K. H. Lyons.

TODAY'S CRICKET

Start 10.30 unless stated

NATWEST TROPHY.—2nd Rd
Chelmsford: Essex v Middlesex.
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Sussex.
Bristol: Glos v Northants.
Southampton: Hants v Leics.
Canterbury: Kent v Durham.
Old Trafford: Lancs v Worcs.
Trent Bridge: Notts v Warwicks.
Headingley: Yorks v Somerset.

TOUR MATCH

The Oval (11-6.30): Surrey v Zimbabwe.
2nd XI COMPETITION.—Usk: Glamorgan v Somerset. Folkestone: Kent v Hants. Leicester: Leics v Warwicks. Milton Keynes: Northants v Notts. Guildford: Surrey v Essex. Hove: Sussex v Middlesex: Worcester: Worcs v Glos.

OFFICIAL CORRECTION. — Yorks 1st Innings: S. N. Hartley c Doughty, b Jesty 27. Not as stated.

TEST AVERAGES

ENGLAND

Batting

	M	I	N.o.	H'st	R	Avge
RT Robinson	3	6	1	175	329	65.80
MW Gatting	3	6	2	74	263	65.75
D Gower	3	6	0	166	313	52.16
IT Botham	3	5	0	85	200	40.00
AJ Lamb	3	5	1	47	142	35.50
GA Gooch	3	6	0	70	198	33.00
JE Emburey	3	4	1	[illegible]	60	20.00
PR Downton	3	4	0	54	78	19.50
PH Edmonds	2	3	0	21	34	11.33
PJW Allott	3	4	1	12	20	6.66

Played in one Test: N. G. Cowans 22*; N. A. Foster 3, 0; A. Sidebottom 2; P. Willey 36, 3.

Bowling

	O	M	R	W	Avge	Best
Botham	135.2	20	482	17	28.35	5-109
Emburey	131.4	37	315	11	28.63	5-82
Allott	94	19	264	5	52.80	2-74
Edmonds	107.4	28	275	5	55.00	2-85

Fielding

8—Downton (8ct). 5—Lamb. 3—Botham, Gooch. 2—Edmonds, Emburey, Robinson. 1—Gower.

AUSTRALIA

Batting

	M	I	N.o.	H'st	R	Avge
AR Border	3	5	1	196	300	75.00
GM Ritchie	3	5	0	146	290	58.00
AMJ Hilditch	3	6	0	119	260	43.33
GM Wood	1	6	0	172	203	40.60
WB Phillips	3	5	0	91	173	34.60
KC Wessels	3	5	0	64	122	24.40
SP O'Donnell	3	5	1	46	137	34.25
GF Lawson	3	4	1	15	38	12.66
DC Boon	3	5	0	22	56	11.20
CJ McDermott	3	4	1	18	33	11.00
RG Holland	2	2	0	10	10	5.00

Played in one Test: J. R. Thomson 4*, 28.

Bowling

	O	M	R	W	Avge	Best
Lawson	132.4	24	459	16	30.00	5-103
McDer	115.2	14	407	16	21.05	6-70
O'Don	105.4	22	[illegible]	6		
Holland	104	30	250	6	44.83	5-68
O'Don.	105.4	22	326	6	55.00	3-37

Also Bowled: Border 7-0-16-0; Ritchie 1-0-10-0; Thomson 37-3-174-2; Wessels 3-2-3-0.

Fielding

8—Border. 7—Phillips (7ct). 4—Boon. 3—Ritchie, Wessels. 2—Hilditch, O'Donnell. 1—Holland.

BILL FRINDALL

Gray & Doughty help Surrey home

By DEREK HODGSON at Sheffield

YORKSHIRE duly lost to Surrey by nine wickets in mid-afternoon at Sheffield yesterday, and their third successive defeat sends them to the bottom of the championship table where, on current performances, they may well languish for the rest of the summer.

The southerners, in contrast, look in much better fettle — a refreshing attack, with Gray a potent spearhead, showing promise and bowling weaknesses camouflaged by zealous and accurate fielding.

The classic hallmarks of what soccer circles would perceive as a relegation team —

Yorkshire v Surrey

injuries and errors in abundance, confidence drained — are being displayed by Yorkshire.

Restarting 100 behind, they lost four wickets to Gray and Doughty for 12 runs to make a mockery of an overnight notion of saving the match.

Assured boundaries

Metcalfe drove two assured boundaries off Gray before pushing at a ball that left him. Sharp, almost strokeless, failed to add a run in eight overs.

Neil Hartley received a similar delivery to Metcalfe, and Carrick batted as if the world were to end at lunchtime.

In came Bairstow, batting despite a swollen right knee, to smash Gray and Doughty out of the attack before turning on Jesty and Monkhouse for a half-century off 31 balls.

Peter Hartley, the Keighley all-rounder making his debut, hit two more sixes but by 2.25 p.m. Surrey were batting again needing 48.

Even when Yorkshire managed to miss another slip catch, off Clinton when two, Shaw winning a little recompense four runs late.

Bairstow ordered his men back for practice. He may not be be Napoleon, but there are similarities with Marshal Ney.

Close of Play

England drew with Australia.
KENT (22pts) bt Northants (7) by 4 wkts.
SURREY (24) bt Yorks (3) by 9 wkts.
Middx (7) drew with Somerset (7).
Essex (8) drew with Glos (6).
Warwicks (8) drew with Notts (7).
Hants (7) drew with Worcs (6).
Lancs (6) drew with Glam (6).

SURREY.—First Innings 364 (100 overs 357-8) (M. A. Lynch 135, G. S. Clinton 67, Jarvis 5-107, Carrick 4-98).

Second Innings

A. R. Butcher, not out	24
G. S. Clinton, lbw, b Shaw	6
A. Needham, not out	19
Extras (lb 2)	2
Total (1 wkt)	51

Fall of wicket: 1-14.

Bowling: Jarvis 7-2-15-0, Shaw 5-2-11-1, S. N. Hartley 3-0-14-0, P. J. Hartley 2-0-9-0.

YORKSHIRE.—First Innings 131 (52·4 overs) (G. Boycott 55 not, Gray 8-40).

Second Innings

G. Boycott, c Richards, b Jesty	29
A. A. Metcalfe, c Lynch, b Gray	17
K. Sharp, lbw b Doughty	50
S. N. Hartley, c Lynch, b Gray	5
P. Carrick, c Richards, b Doughty	7
*†D. L. Bairstow, lbw b Monkhouse	65
P. W. Jarvis, c Richards, b Jesty	11
I. G. Swallow, lbw b Pocock	3
P. J. Hartley, c Clinton, b Doughty	33
C. Shaw, not out	9
J. D. Love, absent hurt	0
Extras (b 1, lb 7, w 2, nb 1)	11
Total	230

Fall of wickets: 1-53, 2-143, 3-147, 4-155, 5-155, 6-230, 7-236, 8-236.

Bowling: Gray 19-5-79-2, Doughty 24-3-7-73-3, Monkhouse 20-6-46-1, Jesty 8-1-30-2, Pocock 20-10-22-1.

Yorks 3pts Surrey 24

Rice's broken finger upsets Trophy hope

By MIKE BEDDOW at Nuneaton

CLIVE RICE, the Nottinghamshire captain, broke the middle finger of his right hand during his side's unsuccessful attempt to reach a target of 310 off 52 overs in a drawn match with Warwickshire at Nuneaton yesterday.

His injury was a cruel case of history repeating itself.

On the eve of the NatWest Trophy second round last season, Rice suffered similar damage against Worcestershire but played in a narrow defeat by the eventual trophy holders, Middlesex.

An early visit to a Nottingham specialist this morning will determine whether he can take such a risk today when Warwickshire are at Trent Bridge for the third meeting in five days between the two counties.

They have enjoyed marginal superiority in the previous two games, though Nottinghamshire were in contention yesterday when Randall and Johnson, who

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replaced Rice after he had been struck by a ball from Small, put on 135 in 28 overs.

The last 20 overs began with Nottinghamshire requiring a further 159, not an impossible task with two stroke players well entrenched on a small ground with a particularly inviting boundary on one side of the pitch.

Johnson showed what could be done with two sixes off successive deliveries from Gifford, but Nottinghamshire's challenge inevitably subsided when Randall provided Humpage, now minus his familiar beard, with his 52nd dismissal of the season.

When Johnson was bowled by Gifford, at around the time Rice returned from hospital, Nottinghamshire needed something special from Hadlee. It did not happen, and Fraser-Darling was left to shepherd them to the close at 206 for six.

Rain delayed start

Earlier, rain delayed the start by 80 minutes and Nottinghamshire employed some friendly seam bowling by Randall, who conceded 103 runs but enjoyed his three wickets, before Humpage hit an unbeaten 56, crashing one of his four sixes through a pavilion window.

The scoreboard

WARWICKSHIRE. — First Innings 384-8 dec. (100 overs). (D. L. Amiss 117, T. A. Lloyd 94, P. A. Smith 51, Saxelby 5-73).

Second Innings

T. A. Lloyd, c Randall, b Pick	17
R. I. H. B. Dyer, c Hadlee, b Hemmings	49
A. I. Kallicharran, c Broad, b Randall	38
D. L. Amiss, c Broad, b Randall	25
†G. W. Humpage, not out	56
P. A. Smith, b Randall	4
A. M. Ferreira, not out	26
Extras (b5, lb7, w2, nb4)	18
Total (5 wkts dec.)	232

Fall of wickets: 1-28, 2-104, 3-113, 4-155, 5-165.

Bowling: Hadlee 4-1-5-0, Saxelby 3-0-11-0, Fraser-Darling 4-0-13-0, Pick 3-0-11-1, Hemming 14-0-71-1, Randall 15-0-103-3, Johnson 1-0-12-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.—First Innings: 313 (85·2 overs) (C.E.B. Rice 156 not, R. A. Pick 63, Hoffman 4-100).

Second Innings

B. C. Broad, c Lloyd, b Small	13
D. W. Randall, c Humpage, b Hoffman	67
*C. E. B. Rice, retired hurt	0
P. Johnson, b Gifford	88
C. D. Fraser-Darling, not out	23
R. J. Hadlee, c Dyer, b Hoffman	1
†B. N. French, c Humpage, b Gifford	0
E. E. Hemmings, b Gifford	4
R. A. Pick, not out	4
Extras (lb 7, w 1, nb 3)	6
Total (6 wkts)	206

Fall of wickets: 1-26, 2-160, 3-180, 4-181, 5-187, 6-193.

Bowling: Small 9-3-24-1; Hoffman 11-5-53-2; Gifford 20-4-67-3; Ferreira 8-1-50-0; Parsons 2-0-10-0.

Warwick 8pts, Notts 7.

Umpires: R. Julian & D. O. Oslear.

BOWLS

EBA NATWEST TWO FOURS.—4th Rd: Gloucester C 51, Greenbank 41—Hampshire Police 45, Aldershot Traction 42—Alexandra (Portsmouth) 48, Atherley Brotherhood (Worcester) 44, HDA 34—23—Droitwich Spa 47, Ledbury 35—Owls 65, Bradbury Hse 45—Bethlem Rxl Hosp 31, O Cottelans 45—West Park (Hull) 32, Dringhouses 37—Corah 44, Kingscroft 35—Loughborough 36, Knighton Vic 34.

SUSSEX PAIRS. — Semi-finals: G. Helle & D. Little (Hove & Kingsway) 18—T. Owen & J. Sullivan (Windlesham) 25, R. Webb & G. Maskell (Brighton) 24, R. Crouch & T. Pane (Polegrove) 20.

GOLF

HILL SAMUEL SCHLS FOURSOMES (Denham). — Second Day: Tankard Comp: Downside 3, Hampton 0—Stamford 2, Eton 1. Cup Comp: Tonbridge 2, Watford GS 1—Leeds GS 3, Malvern 0.

Fencing

FRENCH FOILIST SERIOUSLY HURT

Philippe Conscience, of France, was seriously injured yesterday when a foil went through his body at the World Fencing Championships in Barcelona. The foil travelled eight inches into his lower abdomen and broke in two inside his body.

Doctors feared for his life because of the abundant loss of blood. The accident happened while Conscience was fighting Poland's Boguslav Cych in the men's team event sixth-place match.

WORLD TEAM CH'SHIPS (Barcelona).—Qtr-finals: Italy bt Hungary 9-4; USSR bt Poland 9-2; E. Germany bt France 9-7; W. Germany bt Cuba on hits in 8-8 draw.

Semi-finals: Italy bt E. Germany 9-2; W. Germany bt USSR 9-2. 3rd & 4th Places: USSR bt E. Germany 8-7.

ONTONG PICKS UP GAUNTLET

By MICHAEL AUSTIN at Old Trafford

A DOUR, windswept match sprung to life belatedly at Old Trafford, where Lancashire settled reluctantly for a draw with Glamorgan after making 215 for eight and finishing 25 runs short in their 45 over chase yesterday.

Defensive mechanisms, the telltale symptoms of sides lacking confidence, had been prevalent during the match until both teams suddenly recalled their May days near the top of the table.

Abrahams and Ontong, the captains, had prolonged their first innings with dubious benefits but both compensated for

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lost time and became prime figures, along with O'Shaughnessy, who made 65 off 90 balls for Lancashire.

Ontong, intrepidly bowling his off-spin throughout the final 20 overs when 145 were required, returned five for 82 as a personal reward for enticing Lancashire. O'Shaughnessy helped Abrahams to add 69 in 10 overs.

The task was always tantalisingly beyond Lancashire's reach despite the sturdy base laid by Chadwick and Hayes, apprentice openers, as the match developed from Whitehall farce to high drama.

Abrahams, an occasional spinner, had sportingly played the role of Brian Rix in bowling 6·2 overs, heavily faced with full tosses, as a means of providing Glamorgan with quick runs and himself with a target to chase.

Ontong scored an unbeaten 65 off 109 balls, Jones confirmed his recovery from shoulder trouble with a delightful innings of 75, including 11 fours, mostly from drives, and Abrahams took three for 46.

Jefferies, a South African, had dismissed Hopkins and Holmes, both leg before, with successive balls to add to his half-century in Lancashire's first innings.

But Clive Lloyd, heavily involved in net practice yesterday seems the logical choice as their overseas player in today's Natwest Trophy game against Worcestershire.

GLAMORGAN.—First Innings 323-2 dec. (100 overs 310-5) (Javid Miandad 164 not).

Second Innings

A. L. Jones, c Hayes, b Abrahams	75
J. A. Hopkins, lbw, b Jefferies	7
G. C. Holmes, lbw, b Jefferies	0
Javed Miandad, lbw, b Watkinson	1
Younis Ahmed, c Maynard, b Jefferies	2
*R. C. Ontong, not out	65
M. R. Price, b Abrahams	6
J. G. Thomas, c Watkinson, b Abrahams	5
Extras (b 4, lb 1, nb 5)	10
Total (7 wkts dec)	171

Fall of Wickets: 1-28, 2-28, 3-29, 4-32, 5-155, 6-157, 7-161.

Bowling: Jefferies 12-1-30-3, Watkinson 8-1-21-1, Simmons 8-4-9-0, Makinson 3-0-16-0, O'Shaughnessy 3-1-13-0, Folley 2-1-8-0, Fairbrother 2-1-3-0, Abrahams 6·2-0-46-3, Chadwick 5-0-20-0.

LANCASHIRE.—First Innings

M. R. Chadwick, c Davies, b Thomas	8
K. A. Hayes, c Davies, b Thomas	5
S. J. O'Shaughnessy, c Hopkins, b Ontong	34
N. H. Fairbrother, b McFarlane	57
*J. Abrahams, not out	11
M. Watkinson, c Hopkins, b Thomas	65
S. T. Jefferies, c Holmes, b Ontong	1
Extras (b 5, lb 1, w 2, nb 3)	11

95 5 overs. Total (6 wkts dec.) 315

Did not bat: J. Simmons, †C. Maynard, D. J. Makinson, I. Folley.

Fall of wkts: 1-14, 2-17, 3-85, 4-106, 5-192, 6-315.

Bowling: Thomas 16-3-39-3, Barwick 18-2-61-0, McFarlane 11-1-61-1, Ontong 36-5-9-116-2, Price 12-3-32-0.

Second Innings

M. R. Chadwick, b Ontong	22
K. A. Hayes, v Miandad, b Barwick	39
S. J. O'Shaughnessy, b Thomas	65
N. H. Fairbrother, b Barwick	11
M. Watkinson, c Thomas, b Ontong	9
S. T. Jefferies, c McFarlane, b Ontong	6
*J. Abrahams, c Thomas, b Ontong	39
J. Simmons, st Davies, b Ontong	11
†C. Maynard, not out	12
D. J. Makinson, not out	0
Extras (b8, lb4, nb1)	13
Total (8 wkts)	215

Fall of wkts: 1-38, 2-70, 3-88, 4-107, 5-117, 6-186, 7-186, 8-215.

Bowling: Thomas 13-5-1-38-1, Barwick 13-5-63-2, Ontong 18-1-82-5.

Lancs 6 pts, Glamorgan 6.

Umpires: B. Leadbeater & R. Palmer.

OLD HILL PUNISHED

Old Hill, the national KO champions and in the last 16 of this year's competition, have been told by the Birmingham League to replay their match against Moseley on Sunday as punishment for including Greg Matthews, the Australian Test player, in their team a few weeks ago. The club has also been fined 20 points.

NatWest Trophy

Durham have no illusion about Kent test

DURHAM take on Kent in the second round of the NatWest Trophy at Canterbury today carrying, no doubt, the best wishes of all uncommitted cricket followers, but well aware of the enormity of their task, followers, but well aware of the enormity of their task, writes Michael Carey.

Their defeat of Derbyshire in the first round made them the first Minor County to eliminate two first-class sides—Yorkshire were the other.

Yet though they are probably the strongest side outside the Championship, they still appreciate how much depends on whether or not the day's rub of the green closes the gap between the teams.

As Neil Riddell, Durham's captain, said yesterday: "The gulf between first-class cricketers and club players like ours is enormous. We know how Chris Bonington felt when he stood at the foot of Everest."

Quick Australian

Durham's best chance probably depends on their bowling first and extracting any help they can from the conditions. In Andrew Scott, an Australian from Prahran, Victoria, they have a fast bowler said to be quick enough to trouble anyone for an over or two.

If this game had been staged earlier in the season, Kent might have faced it with more than a little apprehension. But they have put some indifferent performances behind them and welcome back Chris Tavare, Kevin Jarvis and Graham Dilley to their squad.

Graham Gooch will captain Essex in their tie against Middlesex at Chelmsford. In the absence of Keith Fletcher, who has a bad back. Fletcher is also doubtful for the Benson & Hedges Cup final against Leicestershire at Lord's on Saturday.

Cricket

WEST INDIES TOUR TALKS

ANY problems which might still exist over England's winter cricket tour to the West Indies are likely to be discussed when delegates from the Caribbean are in London for the International conference at Lord's today and tomorrow.

Donald Carr, secretary of the Test and County Cricket Board, has already met the West Indies' Control Board secretary Alan Rae *since his arrival, and spokesman* Peter Lush said yesterday that there had been no political hitches since it had been decided to play no matches in Guyana. "As far as we are concerned, the itinerary is settled," he said.

The conference will devote most of its energies to finalising arrangements for the next World Cup in India and Pakistan in 1987.

South Africa is not officially on the agenda, though the implications of the Australia "rebel tour" there will be examined at length. Bouncers and Test match over-rates are other subjects likely to be debated.

BADMINTON

BENSON & HEDGES MALAYSIAN OPEN (in Kuala Lumpur) Men's singles, 1st rnd—S. Butler (GB) bt P. Nyser (Malaysia) 15-13, 13-0, 15-5; N. Goode (GB) bt Cheah Hoon Heng (Malaysia) 15-7, 15-11, 15-7; D. Hall (GB) bt A. Yarman (Malaysia) 15-3, 15-6.

Schools Cricket Review

Wellingborough end well short

By Our Schools Cricket Correspondent

WELLINGBOROUGH made little impression on Forest, who declared 203 for six. In reply, Wellingborough, after losing their middle-order batsmen, played for a *draw and at the close were* 125 for five.

On a dry pitch with some pace and bounce, Wellingborough totalled 261 for five declared against **Watford G S**, who, despite a fine attacking innings from B. Chaudy (61 in 35 minutes), were only 149 for three at the close, and settled for a draw.

Against **Oakham College**, who declared at 180 for six, Watford G S were never able to come to terms with the quick bowling of S. Aldis (5-16) and R. Wightman (4-30) and were dismissed for 104.

Chasing an **Ampleforth** total of 162 for five declared, **Dulwich** reached 110 for three in quick time, but accurate spin bowling by S. Cummings (4-42) caused the collapse, and they were all out for 137.

In a high-scoring two-day match, **Marlborough** declared their first innings at 261 for nine and in reply, **Rugby** were 236 all out. Marlborough then scored a quick 266 for two, N. Sykes hitting a century off 56 balls, and Rugby replied with 197 for six, of which T. Skipper made 104, and the match was a draw.

Sevenoaks started well against **Barton Peveril** and were able to declare at 196 for five; then Barton Peveril lost wickets steadily, gave up the chase, and at the close were 115 for seven.

Taunton finished their season with a three-wicket win over Monmouth, followed on Sunday by a nine-wicket victory over **Sherborne**, scoring 212 runs in 39 overs, N. Waters hitting a magnificent 125 not out.

St George's, Weybridge, drew all three matches of their Guernsey tour, although **Elizabeth College**, chasing a total of 203 for seven declared, were 131 for nine at close of play and lucky to avoid defeat.

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